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RUNNING UP THE LONG HILL

It is the distinct impression of one observer at least that our rate of progress in working Christian unity has been checked. He gathers this both from the substance and from the tone of reports and utterances at the annual meeting of the Home Missions Council and similar interdenominational gatherings; but still more clearly from records of the unifying movement covering longer periods of time, such as quadrennial reports of the Federal Council of Churches. Things are moving less fast in this direction than they were from four to eight years ago,—partly at least because we are now chiefly dealing with things while we were then chiefly dealing with ideas.

The earlier years of the present decade precipitated some epoch-making agreements and declarations as to Christian unity in many fields,—notably that of home missions. We saw true visions and we said right things. But now we are operating in another medium. We dealt then with conceptions; now we deal with application. Then we were engaged in thinking it through; now with "putting it over." Our task then was to convince minds; now to control measures and institutions. We investigated and surveyed then; now we have to act. Then we were re-directing ideas; now we ought to re-direct money. The present task is very much more difficult. The stern medium of fact is harder to work with than the exhilarating atmosphere of thought.

When this is confessed—and with it the natural checking of our rate of progress—one comes to reflect rather enviously upon certain short cuts to our desired end which are not available. But we do not really expect nor desire it this way. We shall remain allies who have patiently to work out their joint measures through sympathetic understandings. How far have we come in this direction? Not one-tenth of the way—no, not one-hundredth. Scarcely one dollar of Christian money in each hundred thousand is visibly dedicated to working unity.

The adjustment of mind to the probability that the war will be a long one constitutes a moral crisis; for too remote a victory is to most of the human race no victor yat all. To measure out our hoped for, early achievement through tedious years is to weaken the very will to achieve. We need to reassure our souls therefore, that they realy have the will to victory—that we mean to reach working Christian unity,—for the avoidance of duplication and waste, for the peace and shepherding of communities, for the honor of Christ.

But it is not enough to renew the will to victory. We must immeasurably speed up our efforts to secure it in the very moment of realizing that the process will be prolonged. There is a long hill ahead but we must take it on the run. This is no time to saunter. Every pending measure of unity should be promptly consummated, every opportunity the more urgently and loyally sought. Never was there such shortage of men; never was the monetary cost of duplication and rivalry greater, never was the need of saving Christian effort more extreme, and never the incentives for unity more absolute, for the nation's sake and for God's.

—H. P. Douglass.

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The One Hundred and Ninth Birthday of Abraham Lincoln Februury 12th. The Lincoln Memorial Offering February tenth with the Appeal of Christian Patriotism—Honor the Memory.

A Memory of Lincoln

By A. F. Beard

Fifty-eight years ago while strolling about in Rome I came upon the Hon. William H. Seward, then United States Senator from New York, who, like myself, was looking over the old Roman Forum. I had heard Mr. Seward in an address at Yale, and had exchanged the courtesy of the street with him in the city of his residence. I knew him to be a courteous gentleman and as he came near me I recognized his presence. He extended his hand to a young American citizen who assured him that it was an honor to meet the American Cicero on the stamping ground of the ancient one. Thereupon he invited me to share his conveyance in farther sight-seeing.

On my return to New York I found that this very interesting gentleman who had taken me up for the day was the prominent candidate for the presidency of the United States. Of course I had no hesitation in the opinion that he ought to be nominated and elected. While in Europe I had not followed the Lincoln-Douglas debates, and my very positive pre-judgment had a pleasurable memory for its basis.

Taking up the study of theology in Union Seminary I was rooming in the same building with my Yale law-student classmate Seely—afterwards a judge in one of the higher courts of Pennsylvania. He informed me that Abraham Lincoln was in the city and would speak that evening in Cooper Institute. Seely said, "We will go and hear him. He may be President, you know." Neither of these propositions appealed to me. I had no interest in Lincoln, and I had an unbounded one in Seward. Seely quoted the Lincoln-Douglas debates with great appreciation, and to my friendly resentment that the man from the West should be compared with Seward of national recognition. Nevertheless I went to hear Lincoln with my antagonistic unreason. We found sittings near the platform (not ten yards away) where we could observe every feature of the heralded debater. He came in with Horace Greeley on the one side and William Cullen Bryant on the other. On the platform were the most distinguished scholars, jurists and ministers in the city. The immense hall was filled to its utmost capacity; many doubtless led by curiosity to hear the successful stump speaker who had given Douglas some of the worst hours that he had ever experienced. Bryant presided and introduced Lincoln. He arose with dignity and began his address. He failed to get the right pitch of his voice at first, indeed his voice broke, and I

nudged Seely with my elbow and whispered, "So that is Lincoln?" The discomfiture, however, was momentary and hardly recognized, and very soon I received a nudge from Seely's elbow with the whisper, "Yes, that's Lincoln." I found myself sitting up with decided interest. Surprise follower surprise. This was no stump speaker or prairie orator, but a statesman with profound and wonderfully exhaustive argument. His terse sentences were not only full of force but full of weight. My interest grew intense as evidently did that of three thousand others, for the stilled house was listening to the man who from point to point in his address was proving himself both the master of his subject and the master of the audience. It was a revelation. There was no more nudging of elbows. Seely and I were craning our necks forward to catch every word of this man who was holding us all in his hand. I had heard Wendell Phillips, Edward Everett, Beecher Spurgeon and Gladstone, but the memory of this argumentative address for sustained power overtops them all. Dignified, clear, strong, he went from strength to strength, increasing in power to the last, and the captured people made the hall ring with cheers and applause. Never was an audience more delighted; and when Horace Greeley undertook to add a few words the people would have none of him, but called, "Lincoln, Lincoln!"; and Greeley subsided. I found myself in the aisle throwing up my hat and shouting "Lincoln, Lincoln!" The Roman Forum with its memory was not even "somewhere." Seward was eclipsed, and I was sure that the man who ended his splendid argument with the appeal, "Let us have faith that right makes might, and in that faith let us to the end dare to do our duty as we understand it," would make the race, and I hoped he would win.

The man that I saw and heard that evening was not the figure represented in the statue by George Grey Barnard. Not at all! His features were full of animation and life and the play of thought and feeling was such that I could not call him homely. There was no more awkwardness in his manner and form than there was in the matter of his address. The one was fitted to the other. He stood firm upon his feet which were not out of proportion to his large frame, and he stood erect in the consciousness of his power. It was no wonder that he awoke the next morning to find himself as famous in the East as he was in the West. He surely caught Opportunity by the forelock that evening. The man and the hour had arrived.

AND HAVING CHOSEN OUR COURSE
LET US RENEW OUR TRUST IN GOD
AND GO FORWARD WITHOUT FEAR
AND WITH A MANLY HEART.

—Abraham Lincoln.

ABRAHAM LINCOLN in his debate with Douglass at Galesburg in 1858 quoted from Jefferson that, *"When a free people should give up in absolute submission to any department of government retaining for themselves no appeal from it, their liberties were gone."*

Lincoln Our Moses

Rev. Newton I. Jones

From his seat on the near hill's summit he saw the ebb and flow
Of the tide of battle, fiercely waged upon the plain below;
And at times his hands grew weary as he held on high his rod.
But his brave companions stayed them up, for 'twas the rod of God.

And thus "his hands were steady till the setting of the sun."
The cause that he loved had triumphed and his mighty work was done.
And now in the depths of human hearts, themselves the walls of fame,
Is chiseled. never to be effaced, the martyr Lincoln's name.

ABRAHAM LINCOLN—HIS DAY

By Secretary Loomis

It has been a matter of no small astonishment to ourselves and all mankind that America, having once made up her mind to go to war, has set about it in a fashion so whole hearted. The great volunteer army, recruited from the very best of her young men, the draft accepted without complaint, the ready assumption of the enormous burden of expense necessary for the conduct of war under modern conditions, with an enemy thousands of miles away, the willingness of the people to submit to heavy and unaccustomed taxes, the prompt over-subscription to the Liberty Bonds and the vast sums freely given for the relief of sufferers beyond the sea,—the Red Cross, Y. M. C. A. war work, etc.,—all this cheerfully undertaken under the influence of motives chiefly ideal and altruistic without the pressure of a sense of national peril or the lust of territorial gain—it is a world wonder!

But such things do not happen without a reason. For many years one American has had a place of vast and constantly increasing influence in the minds of his fellow citizens, especially with the young people, an influence unapproached by that of any other man except Washington.

In well nigh every school house in the land the meaning of the flag that floats and flashes above it, is illustrated and explained by the rugged, benignant face of Abraham Lincoln looking down upon teacher and pupils from its walls. For more than a generation the children of our country have been closely following the splendid story of his life; they have listened with delight to his quaint anecdotes and his wise and

kindly sayings, and they have thrilled to the simple yet matchless eloquence of his addresses.

Thus it has come about that no Napoleon nor Frederick the Great, but this "kindly-wise," great-hearted man of the people, this incarnation of democracy at its best, is enshrined as our national hero.

But one cannot truly and deeply admire a man and at the same time remain uninfluenced by his character. Your admiration becomes an instrument by which, perhaps unconsciously to himself or to you, but inevitably, he fashions you in his own likeness. So Lincoln has, for half a century, been begetting spiritual children by the myriad in all the school-houses of the land. Thence have arisen these splendid hosts, these champions of liberty, that America is today pouring forth from her borders; thence come the heroic hearts and blessed, busy fingers of the devoted women who are sending them out.

Nor is it our own land only that feels his influence in these monmentous times. It would not be too much to say that though for more than half a century his lips have been silent and his feet dust, he is nevertheless making larger contributions to the cause of the Allies than any other man. Wherever Democracy is lifting her banner and calling for help in this terrific struggle with her mortal foe, under many flags, in many uniforms along the "far flung battle line," in dark and terrible trenches, in icy Alps, on perilous seas, and amid the gallant squadrons of the sky, "his soul goes marching on."

There are three special reasons why Abraham Lincoln is the patron saint of the American Missionary Association. In the first place he is one of our folks,—came from just such a simple cabin and was one of just such a group of young people as those to whom we are ministering among the Southern mountains. You see his counterpart over and over again among our school boys at Saluda, Grand View and Pleasant Hill.

Then he gave his life for the freedom of that race for which we chiefly labor. It is no mere figure of speech to say that what we are attempting among the Negroes is simply the completion of that great work of emancipation which he began.

And finally Lincoln is the supreme embodiment of the Spirit of Democracy which is and ever has been the watchword of the American Missionary Association. The point he emphasizes is not simply that a man may rise from the lowest to the highest place, but rather that the lowly place, the place of the common man is, and of a right ought to be, a place essentially lofty. He showed, as scarcely another man since Christ Himself has shown it, the wisdom, the worth and the importance of the plain man of the people.

The National Council at its last session, in view of the pressing needs, the glorious opportunities and the vast work in which the American Missionary Association is engaged, has asked that all our churches and Sunday schools make a special point of keeping Lincoln's Sunday this year, by making an offering of special generosity to its treasury. What better way of doing honor to Lincoln's memory?

SOME FIRST IMPRESSIONS

By Secretary Cady

"The reflections of a northern greenhorn" ought to be the title of this little article. First let me confess my ignorance by saying that up to November, 1917, I had never been South. As near as possible I went with open mind, divested myself of former ideas and prejudices and threw the door open to new impressions.

First impressions are hazardous and need the correction of future surveys but, such as they are, I will give them.

There is undoubtedly a "New South" in every way. A new spirit is pervading it with a rustling industrial life which promises much for the future. Just now with cotton at nearly thirty cents a pound, peanuts at two dollars a bushel, etc., the South is feeling its economic importance—in fact the world war has impressed us all with the fact that the South is far from a negligible quantity in the world's need. As one sees the cotton rolling up in those great wagons full of that fluffy whiteness, and realizes that it goes forth on a double mission of death on the battle line and life in clothing mankind, one understands that the Southerner is right when he knows he must be reckoned with.

There is a new spirit in the race question. The Northerner has done the Southerner scant justice as he faces this tremendous problem. Not that for one moment would I concede that the program of the radicals is either Christian or effective but that the seriousness of the issue is one to perplex the most earnest. Here too a new spirit is evident. The old Southerner might well have rubbed his eyes had he stood recently on the streets of Atlanta and seen the colored drafted boys marching to the train to go into training for the defense of their flag, and at the head of the procession marched the Veterans of the Confederate Army. Those men would not eat with the colored boys but they could march with them. This war seems to have come to "scatter the proud in the imagination of their hearts; put down princes from their thrones and exalt them of low degree."

Not the least of the benefits of this world crash may be the increasing respect men, hitherto divided, shall have for one another. When a real Southerner in Talladega said, "I have been in the practice of law here in this city forty years. I have been mayor of the city eighteen years and I have never been asked to prosecute, defend or try a student of Talladega College for any offense against the law" it made us wonder if a new respect for the colored race was not being born, and it made us wonder how much the Mayor of New Haven or Cambridge would like to be able to say as much of Yale and Harvard!!!

But an equal impression is that the colored race is coming to a larger respect for itself. A real race consciousness is dawning, irritating to those who would keep him down but promising to all who would find all help in self help. Slavery made him lose his self reliance but economic prosperity is teaching him his own worth. This is being emphasized in his increasing revolt against mere

industrial training. He realizes that he must be fitted for self help and independence, and unless his freedom is industrial freedom from economic dependence, his freedom is vain. But he does not want an education which basically recognizes him as destined only to be a "hewer of wood and a drawer of water." He feels that he too has a right to breathe a finer air as he rises, that he must have the vision to see and the endowment to enjoy the larger life. He feels, and it is a growing feeling, that he must be reckoned with, that he too is heir to the best that a Liberal Arts education can give. And as we listened to Prof. Holloway's fine sarcasm about an education which consisted merely of "six grades and a trade" and heard his passionate cry "we are not satisfied with an education which does not train us to be thinkers," we realized that whatever may be the theories of education, imposed from above, the soul of a race can not long be held back from its highest expression. There can be no doubt that the Negro race is slowly finding itself—perhaps the self-finding will be looked upon as the racial miracle of the ages. He too feels that he has a "place in the sun" not wholly preempted by his white brothers—a place not of mastery of others but of possession of himself with all that term "self" may contain.

No one can travel today through the South without having his blood stirred by the sight of the boys in khaki everywhere. The nation has placed more cantonments in Georgia and Alabama than in any other section. Every one ought to be glad certain "preparedness" had been going on in making these states clean of the saloon before war was declared. Whatever the belated politicians of Massachusetts, New York and Pennsylvania may say to the contrary, the people of these states know and the soldier boys can bear testimony that "prohibition does prohibit." The soldier is everywhere and the man who expects to stay in any camp city over night may well heed this advice—get your bed a week beforehand. I arrived six hours late in Atlanta and walked the streets from 11 P. M. until 2 A. M. finding a place to sleep and only then when Dr. Proctor gave me a cot in his parish house. And what a splendid lot these soldiers are—white and colored also. I looked into the faces of a group of colored men in khaki in Dr. Proctor's church and felt the thrill of it all when I remembered that those boys were fighting for the preservation of a democracy which had enslaved their fathers and mothers and still denied them citizenship in most places. But where have these men so harshly treated ever failed us? Nor will they now in this new crusade to make the world safe for the world democracy of the world brotherhood. Again do they challenge the world with that cry of Booker Washington, "I ask you if a people who are thus willing to die for their country ought not to be given the highest opportunity to live for their country?"

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GATHER UP THE FRAGMENTS THAT NOTHING BE LOST

Chandler Normal School, Lexington, Ky.

Few people realize how wasteful we Americans are and how useful much that has been thrown aside may be. Probably there is no place in the world like a mission field to make one see the value of a thing although it may be in a scrap heap, or upon a wood pile or in a dusty attic. The fact that the missionary has little money with which to purchase the many things needed in his work makes him alert in this. A few examples will illustrate what is constantly being done in this way in one of our A. M. A. schools, Chandler Normal School of Lexington, Ky.

It had been the good fortune of the school to receive some discarded hymnals. They had been used for years but they were still in very good condition, so good that it seemed a pity to allow them to be left upon the seats of the chapel to be easily brushed to the floor as the students passed in or out. One morning the principal called attention to this and asked whether there were any who would like to assist in making racks in which to keep the hymn books. All over the chapel hands were raised. Girls' as well as boys! It would not have been so difficult a task if the right material had been at hand but with no money to purchase material it became necessary to find it upon the wood pile. The waste for kindling the fires is of all lengths and thicknesses, is rarely uniform in width and always rough. Imagine what it would mean for one with skill to undertake such a task to say nothing of inexperienced boys and girls. They, however, set to work. The rough uneven material soon took different form. In a short time enough racks had been completed to meet the requirements, and from the wood pile came the racks for the hymnals.

This kindling pile has furnished material for many another thing useful in the school room. Pointers and chart frames have been made instead of purchased. Even picture frames have been made in goodly number from the same material. Not only were these frames made from waste material but the glass was some that had been carefully removed from broken windows and the pictures themselves were sometimes found in old magazines.

Magazines which friends have thrown aside are read over and over again by students. They are taken to their homes for their own evening reading or that of other members of their families. This is a line of missionary work which ought to be much more developed. If a larger circle of friends could be secured who would mail their magazines to this school regularly they would do an inestimable service to many people who often crave it more than one can tell. The following are especially useful: Ladies Home Journal, Good Housekeeping, Modern Priscilla, Woman's Home Companion, Mother's Magazine, Delineator, Youth's Companion, St. Nicholas, American Boy, Popular Science Monthly, Scientific American, Illustrated World, Little Folks, Outlook, Harper's, Scribner's, Christian Herald, Literary Digest, World's Work and any other high class magazine.

Teaching from the Bible is one of the great tasks of the missionary school. This can best be done by the use of the new graded Sunday school lessons. Here again Chandler is using waste material to accomplish the task. Many a Sunday school has left over leaflets and quarterlies of this kind and some are being sent for use in this school. As yet the supply is not sufficient to meet the needs fully but no doubt other schools will be willing to send their waste for such use.

In many an attic of the homes of the readers of THE AMERICAN MISSIONARY there are things which are practically waste to their owners but which would be of much value in a school like Chandler. No doubt tools of one kind or another, which some member of the family used in years gone by but which are now out of service, could again do duty in the school shop. Perhaps there are saws and planes and chisels, vises, too, and many another tool that the owners would be glad to forward to help on the work of the Master among these colored people. Some boy now grown to manhood has set aside his jig saw or his printing press or perhaps he was of scientific turn of mind and he has stored away the electrical apparatus which once delighted his heart. Think how valuable this would be to a school that is trying to teach physics with almost no apparatus. **Chandler Normal School** appeals to the friends of the Negro for such material.

FROM BREWER NORMAL SCHOOL, GREENWOOD, S. C.

Miss Bessie K. Meacham, Teacher

In The Independent for December 8, 1917, there was an article by Cora Harris entitled "War Time in the Valley." I read it to my class and suggested to my fourth year high school English class that they should write an article on "War Time" in their community. The next day I received the one which I send to you. It was written by the leader of his class, McKinley Anderson. He is an ambitious lad and does a large amount of extra reading and investigation on his own initiative. He receives no help from his father and so works his way entirely.. For a few years he has been the farm boy at the boarding school, working several hours per day during the school term and carrying on the farm during the summer months. He is very anxious for a higher education but at present the amount of funds for this education seems beyond his reach.

I am sending the article to you with the thought that you may use it in the next copy of the American Missionary.

"OUR" BOYS

As soon as war with Germany became inevitable the question began to be asked about just what part the Negro boys would have to play. When war was declared the question became more prominent, but was settled by a bill which passed both houses of Congress and was approved by the President in May 1917. This bill required all men between twenty-one and thirty-one to register June 1, 1917. In this the Negro boys saw plainly that they were to take their part and "tote half of de log."

When the day of registration came "Evening Journals," — white — reported that nearly all of the Negroes were trying to evade the draft and those that registered were asking for exemption. In the following week, when the true reports came in, it was shown that the Negro boys had regis-

tered by a larger per cent, as compared with the whites, and a very small per cent had asked for exemption.

In August when the draft came, while the exact number of colored men was not published, more than half of the number from X——— county were Negro boys, and the number that were exempted were five whites to every three colored.

On the fifth of September when the first nineteen were sent to Camp J——— (although every boy was to fight under the same flag and for the same cause) because they were to be the honored ones, not a colored boy was chosen. Great speeches, lunches and gifts were given to the boys and many wept and fainted as the train bore them away.

On September 19th when the Negro boys went no speeches were made and no gifts given by the city committees, no weeping nor hurrahs were heard save those of the family. Their clothes were in many cases mere over-all suits, but every report from camp shows they are doing well. Somehow we've a feeling that if those boys are properly trained and given a square chance they are going to make a record not only for themselves, but a record for the race, which will go down in history as the records of their grandfathers who fought with Washington, and their fathers who fought with Grant and Roosevelt.

Those boys and their families have a record for producing two-thirds of the food stuffs produced in X——— county heretofore; and we know while those boys are away we will continue to grow and conserve food for them; and when they return—for we are expecting them back—we will welcome them as heroes of X———, citizens of South Carolina, and American boys who have helped make the world "safe for Democracy."

Lincoln Normal School, Marion, Ala., writes: Our Christmas offering given by the teachers and pupils of Lincoln Normal School is to go toward the mission schools in Africa that are to be under the care of the A. M. A. students, and also to the Armenian work. Mr. Kingsley visited us just before Christmas, and told us of the A. M. A. plans for these schools and roused considerable enthusiasm among our pupils. They were all anxious to have a share in opening up these schools, and in their poverty contributed the amount I enclose ($11.15). It was almost a penny offering from the poor children and a nickle from others. A very few gave a quarter so this amount represents almost every pupil in school. It was given with the true Christmas spirit back of it, and I hope that it will be the means of doing a little good in Africa and Armenia. We wish the money to go through your hands, as you know best where to place it, and if it would not be asking too much, would you send an acknowledgment of the gift so that I might read it to the school. The pupils gave a Thanksgiving offering of $8.66 to the Red Cross chapter here in Marion. These gifts do not indicate that we have a surplus of money, but that we are not unmindful of great need in other parts of the world.

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JOSEPH BLACKSMITH
The first Santee boy to enlist as a volunteer—Indian

APPEAL OF A BLACKFOOT INDIAN TO THE SECRETARY OF WAR

"From all over the west we stand ready to spring to the saddle. We stand ready to protect the fourteen hundred miles of border between the United States and Mexico. Fifty thousand men who know a horse as no white man ever knew it; fifty thousand men who can live where no white man has ever lived; fifty thousand Indians who, when their hearts are in a cause, as our hearts are in this cause, would die for it as no other nation.

Mr. Secretary of War, call us to arms! Let us guard and fight for our country. We promise you that not an alien foot shall ever cross the southern border to pillage or destroy.

We beg of you to give us the chance to fight, to fight as a body of our own people, and then give us what you have given to every other people who have come to these shores, the right of citizenship, a right which is our birthright. My people were Americans before the kings and emperors were born who reigned over the countries from which your forefathers came. Mr. Secretary give us the chance to fight, and then make us a part of the country for which we fight."

James Redfox.

FROM WALES, ALASKA

The writer of this letter not many years ago shared the absolute ignorance and heathenism of the Arctic Eskimo. The A. M. A. school and church have made the lad an earnest young Christian man.

My dear friends:

I was just going to tell you little about the work here I am are trying to do for you and me and to all our people here at Wales. I am going to do it even when you didn't send any body here, now you have had help me for good many years and so I want to help you in return. For my saviour said, "Do to others just as you like have them do to you."

I will look after these houses of yours if you want me to please tell me or ask me any thing that you want to know about I will tell you just as far as I knew it, don't be afraid for I am your friend and your interpreter. I have worked for for fourteen years even, when some body were tried to stopped me or trying to worries me. Somebody might tell you not a truth about me just to take my job away from me. You knew it last year some of these boys here pretty near take it away from me, just robbed me, took half of my salary probably you knew it who did it, this fellow who did it, he is assistant in school, he gets good salary teaching, in school, from government here I am left without hardly anything working just as hard as I did before days. Are you stop let mission work going on here? Please tell me all about it, if you want let it going on again employ me I will try to report every things that in the work of the mission just as truely as I can. Or employ some good white man but you will have to pay more money. These houses needs some one to look after them, so, I will fix two doors with out you telling me because they need fixing.

I am preacher in the church and choir master and a secretary of Council here at Wales, I tell you this not just because I want to be praised but just because I want to let you know what I am doing here for my people. Some time I am kind of worried when they don't try to obey the teaching of the Bible but I always try to remember what the Bible says, "Do good to them that hate you and pray for them which despitefully use you." "Vengeance is mine; I will repay Saith the Lord."

I caught a whale last spring, all the meat went to these people and I gave two thirts of the bones. I was glad to get something for my people. It has 5 feet bones I can sell them. Please write and answer soon,

Your friend,

Warren S. Adlooat.

GREETINGS FROM AFRICA

We are glad to receive a cordial greeting from Rev. Merlin W. Ennis of the West Central Africa Mission in view of the work which our colored friends in the South are to undertake in Africa. He writes, "After hearing in some detail of the plans on foot whereby the American Missionary Association aims to assist in sending colored missionaries to help in our work here, the Mission in its annual meeting passed the following resolution:

"Resolved, That we send fraternal greetings to the American Missionary Association and express the hope that we may soon welcome representatives from their work to this Mission."

He adds, "In school it was my good fortune to be associated with a number of colored men who were there preparing themselves for the ministry. If men of this stamp can be spared I am sure that they will find here a field of great usefulness and opportunity, and I assure you that we shall give them a most hearty welcome.

"In behalf of our separate yet mutual sphere we as laborers together greet you.

Thank you, West Central Mission."

A RACE RENAISSANCE

By Bishop Geo. W. Clinton, of the A. M. E. Zion Church

The year nineteen seventeen was an epoch making period in the history of the American Negro. His manhood, his patience and his patriotism have been tested, and he has stood the test most nobly.

The migration of hundreds of thousands of the common people from the South without special or prearranged leadership has been one of the surprises of the times in which we live. So far the results of the migration have been more beneficial than hurtful and the outcome is likely to prove one of the best steps the Negro has taken since his emancipation.

The readiness with which the men of the race responded to their country's call when war was declared against Germany; the willingness with which thousands of Negroes joined in the bond purchasing, Y. M. C. A., and Red Cross movements; the increased enrollment of students in all the race schools, and the anxiety of parents to have their children educated notwithstanding the increased cost of education indicate that the race is coming into what may be called a Race Renaissance.

That God is preparing a larger and better place for the Negro is manifest to every one who will study present day events.

Just now the matter of chief concern to the Negro is that he prepare himself to fill and hold this larger and better place. Education, the launching, development and maintaining of race enterprises, the concentration and conservation of race resources for the upbuilding and strengthening of the race, faith in God accompanied by godly lives, and faith in ourselves evidenced by good works, and a continuation of patient and persistent effort to make good along all lines of race betterment, and a determination to ask, nothing more, nor be content with nothing less than all that belongs to a loyal patriotic and industrious American citizen will bring results that will be pleasing to the Negro and his true friends throughout the world.

THE PASSING OF DR. FITCH

The Rev. Frank S. Fitch, D.D., Pastor Emeritus of the First Congregational Church of Buffalo, and until recently a member of the Executive Committee of the American Missionary Association, died on the 23rd of December in Berkeley, Calif., where in failing health he had been spending the last few months of his life.

He was buried the following Sunday in his home city, Buffalo, where he was widely known, universally honored and tenderly loved.

The Church to which he had ministered for nearly one-third of a century, was filled to overflowing by a great audience, chiefly composed of his own spiritual children, which gathered to pay affectionate respect to his memory. The other churches of the city were also represented by many leading laymen as well as by their pastors. A large number of his brother ministers as honorary bearers, escorted the body to its final resting place. The principal address was made by President Henry C. King of Oberlin College, of which Dr. Fitch has for a long time, been a Trustee. There were also briefer tributes by representatives of the Congregational churches and ministers, of the Buffalo ministers of all denominations and of the American Missionary Association.

Dr. Fitch has been serving this Association on its most important committee for the past thirteen years. He possessed many qualities which belong to a first-rate committee man,—was faithful to his undertakings, dependable, had good judgment reinforced by the wisdom of long experience and great familiarity with the affairs of the Association, was good tempered, patient, had a vein of humor as well as of sympathy, and was deeply devoted to the cause for which we stand.

His journey to the monthly meeting of the Committee in New York City was no holiday trip, but meant a day full of severe, exacting and exhaustive labor, lasting often from early forenoon until night fall.

Counting each meeting, together with the journey to and fro to have taken the strength of two days, allowing also for the time given to the annual meetings, it may be estimated that in the course of these thirteen years Dr. Fitch has given not less than the working days of an entire year to this Association,—a very great and costly gift, and one which may be reckoned among the most generous and considerable that the Society has ever received.

The legacy of Miss Mary C. Smith of several thousand dollars coming from one who had been a teacher deserves special mention. Miss Smith attended Mt. Holyoke Seminary, going there from her native town of Sunderland, Mass., but she completed her academic education by graduating at Oberlin College. In 1890 Miss Smith went to California where for more than forty years she lived an exceptionally useful life.

Intellectually gifted, she was an interesting and felicitous writer. Her well-rounded Christian life was an example to all who knew her and her love for the Kingdom of God is shown in her generous legacy.

THE A. M. A. TREASURY

Irving C. Gaylord, Treasurer

We give below a comparative statement of the receipts for December and for the three months of the fiscal year to December 31st.

RECEIPTS FOR DECEMBER

	Churches	Sunday Schools	Women's Societies	Other Societies	Y.P. S.C.E.	TOTAL	Individuals	TOTAL	From C. Ed. Soc.	Legacies	TOTAL
1916	10,785.20	609.13	3,273.15	3.00	180 40	14,850.88	2,760.53	17,611 41	3,000.00	6,144.43	$26.755.84
1917	13,451.97	581.46	3,063.98	22.00	105.60	17,225.01	2,913.79	20,138.80	.....	4.746.39	24,885.19
Inc.	2,666.77	.....	.....	19 00	.....	2,374.13	153.26	2,527.39	.....	.....	.....
Dec	.....	27.67	209 17	.....	74.80	.....	.....	.....	3,000.00	1,398.04	1,870.65

RECEIPTS THREE MONTHS—TO DECEMBER 31

Available for Regular Appropriations:

	Churches	Sunday Schools	Women's Societies	Other Societies	Y.P. S.C.E.	TOTAL	Individuals	TOTAL	From C. Ed. Soc.	Legacies	TOTAL
1916	23,219.05	782.41	6.462.42	18.00	201.95	30,683.83	977.20	31,661.03	3,000.00	13,785.25	48,446.28
1917	28,186.71	1,019.24	9,805.12	3.00	143.39	39,157.46	2,716.14	41,873.60	.....	13,151.95	55,025.55
Inc.	4.967.66	236.83	3.342.70	.....	.....	8,473.63	1,738.94	10,212.57	.....	.....	6,579.27
Dec.	.....	.....	.....	15.00	58.56	.....	.....	.....	3,000.00	633.30	.....

Designated by Contributors for Special Objects, Outside of Regular Appropriations:

	Churches	Sunday Schools	Women's Societies	Other Societies	Y. P. S. C. E.	TOTAL	Individuals	TOTAL	Legacies	TOTAL
1916-	1,258.30	467.29	564.56	.....	79.80	2,36 .95	5,466.35	7,836.30	24.00	7,860.30
1917-.....	1,337.95	298.02	1,190.86	22.00	456.35	3,305.18	6,294.21	9.599.39	... .	9.599.39
Increase..	79.65	.....	626.30	22.00	376.55	935.23	827.86	1,763.09	.....	1,739 09
Decrease..	.....	169.27	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	24.00	.....

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS FOR THREE MONTHS TO DECEMBER 31

RECEIPTS	1916-17	1917-18	Increase	Decrease
Available for Regular Appropriations.....	48,446.28	55,025.55	6,579.27	.....
Designated by Contributors for Special Objects.	7,860.30	9,599.39	1,739.09	
TOTAL RECEIPTS THREE MONTHS.....	56,306.58	64,624.94	8,318.36	.....

FORM OF A BEQUEST.

"I give and bequeath the sum of dollars to "The American Missionary Association, incorporated by act of the Legislature of the State of New York." The will should be attested by three witnesses.

CONDITIONAL GIFTS.

Anticipated bequests are received on the Conditional Gift plan; the Association agreeing to pay an annual sum in semi-annual payments during the life of the donor or other designated person. For information, write The American Missionary Association.

THE CONGREGATIONAL HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY

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Charles E. Burton, D.D., General Secretary; Herman F. Swartz, D.D., Secretary of Missions; Rev. William S. Beard, Assistant Secretary; Charles H. Baker, Treasurer; Miss Miriam L. Woodberry, Secretary Woman's Department.

The article by Rev. A. B. Apra in the December number of the magazine has been reprinted and copies may be secured by addressing the Publication Department.

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The entire home missionary section of this number of the magazine will be reprinted separately and made available for distribution.

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The home missionary section this month exploits the Middle Atlantic District and has been prepared under the editorship of Superintendent Carroll.

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Evidence accumulates daily as indicative of the patriotic devotion of the home missionary forces. Note the Service Flag in front of the parsonage in the article written by Rev. John MacMillan.

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Dr. Todd, author of the article entitled "A Modern Transformation," although almost at Osler's limit, is about to sail for France, despite the fact that two sons and a daughter are already in the Service.

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This office finds itself in the midst of sad days owing to the resignation of Secretary Swartz. It rejoices, however, to be able to render so signal a contribution to the achievement of Congregationalism's biggest drive.

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After many days and delays Secretary Burton's lecture, "The Lure of Alaska" is ready for appointments. Sets are deposited as follows: The offices of The Congregational Home Missionary Society, 287 Fourth Avenue, New York City; the office of the Illinois Home Missionary Society, 19 South La Salle Street, Chicago, Illinois; the office of the American Missionary Association, 14 Beacon Street, Boston, Massachusetts; the office of the American Missionary Association, 21 Brenham Place, San Francisco, California.

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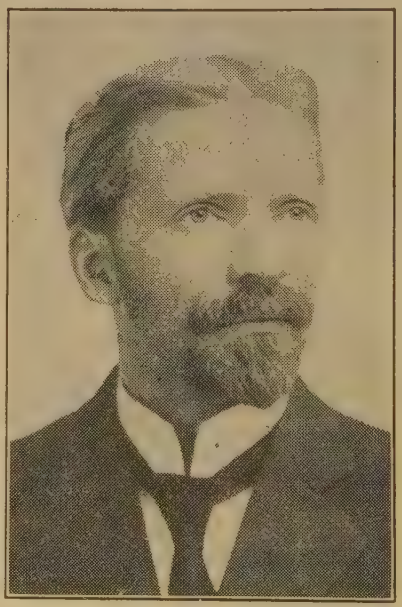
We greatly regret that lack of space prevented our printing in this issue a description of one of the most interesting fields in the Middle Atlantic District—Capitol Heights, Maryland. This article was written by Professor E. Albert Cook, who is in charge of this field, and we are planning to place it before our readers in an early issue of this magazine or in the "Congregationalist."

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE IN VIEW OF THE RESIGNATION OF SECRETARY SWARTZ

THE following resolutions were presented by Dr. Phillips in behalf of the committee, consisting of Mrs. Hicks and himself appointed to prepare a suitable expression of the feeling of this Committee in view of the resignation of Rev. Herman F. Swartz, D.D., Secretary of Missions.

"The resignation of Dr. Herman F. Swartz from the Secretaryship of The Congregational Home Missionary Society was a distinct shock to us, but not a surprise. We realized that he is the kind of man for whom important interests are looking and congratulate ourselves that we have been able to hold him so long.



HERMAN F. SWARTZ, D. D.

It is certain that the denomination is asking much of us when it bids us surrender our claim upon him, but we recognize the immediacy of the need and the greatness of the task that calls for him, and strive to sweeten our sense of sacrifice by considering the greater good of the greater number.

This minute is not intended to be either a eulogy or an obituary, but it is a pleasure to us to make record of our appreciation of those qualities which fitted him for the work of this Society, and won for him our admiration and affection.

Dr. Swartz has been something more than the official representative of this Board. He has so identified himself with his work, so familiarized himself with home mission conditions and needs, so mastered home mission problems, come into such intimate knowledge of the field and of the men doing the Society's work, that Home Missions and Herman Swartz have become interchangeable terms in the mind of the denomination.

He has been untiring, patient and thorough in handling small and perplexing details, ingenious in methods, optimistic in spirit, courteous and sweet-tempered in dealing with us, with office employees and all his fellow workers.

He possesses a rare ability to make and hold friends, and has, in most genial fashion, made the Churches aware of him and of the important interests he represented. We gladly acknowledge our indebtedness to him for a large measure of the Society's strength and prosperity.

He has shown absolute fearlessness in doing what the situation demanded and he believed to be right. His judgment in estimating and placing men has been excellent. His power of clear statement, impassioned appeal, and persuasive eloquence has won friends for his cause and for himself wherever he has spoken.

There is deep regret in our hearts as we say good-bye and wish him Godspeed. We assure him of our high appreciation of his work, and our warm regard. We have great expectations of his new adventure and we shall rejoice to see

him building a monument to his own courage and faith, as he gathers the fund which is to be Congregationalism's tribute to the Pilgrim Fathers.

Resolved: That this minute be spread upon our records, and that a copy thereof then be presented to Dr. Swartz."

THE MIDDLE ATLANTIC DISTRICT

By Superintendent Charles W. Carroll

IT is an interesting district. It contains one-sixth of the population of the United States. It is a parish of great variety, so much variety that no one living in it with eyes open need dread monotony, or miss opportunity. If you desire solitude you can drop into Hoboken, the most densely populated city in

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either of the Americas, through whose streets you can pass as secure from notice as Selkirk in Juan Fernandez. If you wish companionship you seek the forest reserves of Pennsylvania and commune with the trees, the deer, the birds and the spirit of the Most High. If you would find man unspoiled, you trail among the hills of Virginia, where civilization has neither shaved him nor cut his hair; but if you would see the same human nature with all the spontaneity refined out of it, you join the throngs in the cafes of the mammoth hotels. If you would enjoy nature in her refined but noble moods, ride along the winding Susquehanna, and if you would see art at its finest, visit the Corcoran Gallery at the Capital. If I would pay my respects to the founders of the nation, I visit Independence Hall, Philadelphia; but if I want to study the raw material of which citizens are being made, I greet the immigrants at Newark, New Jersey. In Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania, blighted by the refuse of the mines, there are wastes as barren of vegetation as the heart of Sahara, while one hundred miles south, in the same state, are Lancaster and York counties, the former the most fertile agricultural county on the Continent. Along the banks of the Potomac, families live in shacks which many communities would count unfit for cattle, while in northern New Jersey and the suburbs of Philadelphia, there are palaces which ancient kings would have coveted. Among the Amish in southeastern Pennsylvania, pleasure is so under ban that the youth dress, act and apparently think after the manner of the aged, while in two hours you can be on the Board Walk in Atlantic City, the greatest playground in the world. If you would visit a county without a railroad drive to Fulton in Pennsylvania; but if in twenty minutes you would see thirteen of the sixteen trains in the United States whose schedule is sixty miles per hour,

you have only to cross over to Atlantic County, New Jersey. Virginia is surpassed in illiterary by nine states, while Montclair, New Jersey, stands first among the townships of the country in the proportion of college graduates to the population. This district presents all varieties of worship from the staid and formal service of the cathedral to the informal and neurotic gospel of the country schoolhouse. When one takes into account the fact that in normal years more immigrants settle in Pennsylvania than in any other state except New York; that in nine cities of northern New Jersey one person out of every three passed all or part of his childhood in a country having un-American standards and ideals; that the cities of the seaboard section and Pittsburgh are becoming great naval and munition centers, calling tens of thousands of workmen from other sections; that the bituminous and anthracite sections of Pennsylvania, to which the nation looks for so much of its fuel for domestic and war uses, are literally swarming with workmen, one will get some sense of the tremendous opportunities and responsibilities that face the church extension department of our missionary agencies. Then the rural regions of Pennslyvania and Virginia, bereft of much of their man power, must lean heavily upon the Society to keep the doors of their churches, the nurseries of the Christian forces, from being closed. Surely the Middle Atlantic District has come to a time when it must share with the frontier the aid and prayers of the denomination. May we count upon them?

A MODERN TRANSFORMATION

By George L. Todd, D. D., Plymouth, Pa.

(EDITOR'S NOTE.—Dr. Todd was recently granted a leave of absence by the unanimous vote of a united and loyal people, in order that he may enter the service of the Y. M. C. A. War Council. He will sail for France on January 2, 1918, hoping in due time to return to the pastorate of the Elm Congregational Church. Two of his sons are already in France, and a daughter who is to serve as a nurse, will probably sail on the same ship with her father.)

IN the early dawn of the "Third Day" a great plain covered the eastern portions of North America, extending far out into the Atlantic Ocean. During the "Day" God covered parts of the plain with vegetable matter 300 feet deep, and over this He spread a mantle of silica, clay, iron and other materials, and made a great oven whose fervent heat drove out the volatile matter from the vegetable material and left the greatest deposit of anthracite in all His worldly dominion. Then He crumpled up the surface of the plain and made the Appalachian chain of mountains and hills, the Atlantic Slope, and the hills and plains in the bed of the great ocean. Finishing His work with a stroke of exquisite art, just over the great coke oven, He made the Wyoming Valley, and drained it by means of the Susquehanna River. On the shelves of the surrounding hills, God placed His books of slate and sandstone, and between the leaves He pressed perfect specimens of the trees and ferns and lilies from which He made the anthracite coke so that His children on the "Seventh Day" might read the books and study and classify the vegetable life of that wonderful "Third Day." When men perceived that God's coke was good for fuel, their industrial life rushed on with

leaps and bounds. Their furnaces were heated seven times hotter than ever before, railroads and steamships were built, and all the conditions for peace and prosperity were given to the great world. Prosperous towns and cities sprang up throughout the Wyoming Valley, and Shawnee Flats became Plymouth, a name which greatly pleased the English, Welsh, and New England people who dwelt there.

Congregationalism was planted in the Wyoming Valley early in its history, but, as in many other places, Presbyterian churches were built on the Congregational foundations. As

"COMPLETELY DESTROYED BY FIRE"

the mining interests of the Valley advanced English miners came with their deep-seated convictions, and the Welshmen followed with their indomitable religious instinct and unconquered will. Congregationalism revived and grew until every town had its Congregational church and Plymouth had three.

The Elm Congregational Church of Plymouth was organized in 1891, under the leadership of Rev. Thomas C. McKay. It was an offshoot of the First Primitive Methodist Church. September 27, 1896, after five years of struggle and hardship they dedicated their first church edifice with parsonage, amid well-earned rejoicing. Mr. McKay remained with his people until 1889. Rev. J. T. Matthews became pastor on the departure of Mr. McKay. He, together with his wife and family, struggled bravely with the many difficulties which confronted the Elm Church through seven years of devotion and sacrifice. Then Rev. E. E. Clark came and helped them onward to a more secure financial basis. After a pastorate of two years Mr. Clark was succeeded by Rev. Arthur R. Fisk. During Mr. Fisk's pastorate the Sunday evangelistic campaign stirred the whole Valley, and many accessions gave the church new life and impetus and placed it on higher ground spiritually, financially and socially. Mr. Fisk left in June, 1914. Rev. George H. Grannis came the following August. He was a man of high ideals and unusual executive ability. The Anderson evangelistic campaign was opened soon after he came into the pastorate and he was a most ardent worker for

THE NEW EDIFICE

its success. He organized the church on a sound working basis, and a number of accessions to membership were gained. In April, 1915, Mr. Grannis was stricken with pneumonia and died on the 11th of that month. His death was a staggering blow to the church. The people were like sheep without a shepherd, and in their stress and deep sorrow they called Rev. William Boaz, who became their pastor in July of the same year. Mr. Boaz was young and active and the church

soon assumed its wonted activity, in spite of the industrial strike then in progress. All seemed full of promise for a prosperous future, when a second staggering blow fell. On January 15, 1916, the commodious church building, together with the outfit and a part of the church records, was completely destroyed by fire. Old and young shed bitter tears of sorrow and disappointment. But the tears cleared their vision and their shattered hopes revived. Friends and neighbors cheered them with sympathy and pledges of money and a building fund was started. Suggestions to sell the property and disband were rejected, and, with a few exceptions, the people rallied, architect's plans were gotten out, and then suddenly there came another blow. The pastor received a call from Illinois which he considered favorably. After his departure some of the membership went to other churches, but the majority remained. The fate of Elm Church hung in the balance.

In this emergency the people called our great-hearted Superintendent, Rev. Charles W. Carroll, to their aid. Sister churches opened their doors to the pastorless congregation. A schoolhouse was placed at their disposal as a place of meeting, and the First Presbyterian and First Methodist Churches offered them a place for separate worship. Mr. Carroll recommended as a pastor the writer of this article, formerly Superintendent of The Congregational Home Missionary Society's work in Cuba. He accepted the call. Courage revived, plans were revised, and work started. The parsonage was moved to make way for the new edifice. Services were held in the First Presbyterian Church, in a moving picture theater, and in a hall. Prayer meetings were held in the parsonage or on a deacon's lawn. Contracts were let to competent contractors. Excavations were begun without delay, and the building went on apace. On the first Sunday of December, 1916, services were held in the basement of the new church, where there were seats ready for all comers. At the "Merry Christmas" gathering they sang "Glory to God in the Highest." The hall was filled to its capacity at the Christmas exercises of the Sunday-school, which were held under the leadership of Deacon Lewis. Owing to coal shortage and labor difficulties there was a delay of four months in the delivery of the pews for the auditorium. On May 14, 1917, less than a year from the beginning of the new pastorate, the church edifice was dedicated to the worship of God. It has been a prosperous year, and the people are looking forward to still greater achievements in the years to come.

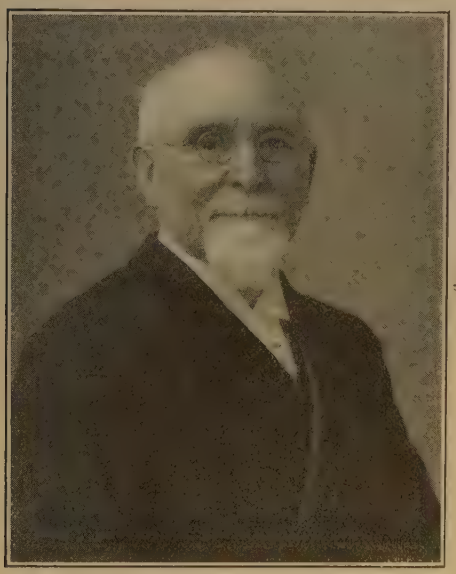
THE WELSH CONTRIBUTION

By Rev. T. C. Edwards, Kingston, Pa.

THE first Congregational church to be organized in Pennsylvania was the Welsh Congregational Church of Ebensburg, Cambria County, in 1797. The first Congregational Conference of the state was the Welsh Gymanfa, organized in 1839. United meetings of Welsh Baptists and Congregationalists were held at irregular intervals in Pittsburgh and Ebensburg and adjacent communities for years previous to 1839. Since 1839 the Welsh Congregational Gymanfa has been held annually. Until about thirty years ago most of the preaching was in the Welsh language, but of late more than half the services are held in English, and fully ninety per cent of the Sabbath School and Christian Endeavor work is in English. In many localities English churches have grown out of the Welsh churches. Most of the churches of

the Wyoming Association are of such origin. This period of transition is a critical time in the experience of the church and much prayer and patience and wisdom are needed to avoid a catastrophe.

With the transition of language comes also the adoption of some of the modern methods of administration. This is as things ought to be, and I rejoice to find the dear old



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mother Welsh church gracefully bending her neck to accept new style yokes and making strenuous efforts to keep step with the twentieth century consecrated modernity.

The monetary contribution of the Welsh churches has not been very great. They have not been of the number whose riches drove away sleep, but they have given to Pennsylvania a wealth of good example and doctrine. They have been the staunch defenders of the orthodox faith. The old Welsh preachers of Pennsylvania were students of one Book, and they proclaimed with force and unction the plain, simple plan of salvation by faith in Jesus Christ. To them the Bible, from beginning to end, was the inspired Word of God. The plain statements of their creed were belief in the Trinity, the divinity of Jesus Christ, and the personality of the Holy Spirit. It was easy for a congregation to understand what the preacher meant and what a Congregational church represented. It is gratifying to know that the Welsh pulpit continues faithful to the theology of the Fathers, and that it still administers the pure milk of the Word, even to the neglect of scientific dissertations and the denial of the fanciful pleasures of exhilarating flights in the thin air of the "new theology." Its voice is attuned to the music of the "old time religion." It seems to me that the fiery eloquence and electrifying effect of the old Welsh preachers of Pennsylvania has been somewhat modified recently. Perhaps it is the result of coming in contact with other nations of cooler blood and the absorption of other styles of expression. A change is also observable in the rank and file of the congregations. As they are becoming more Americanized they quash their emotional expression and are decorously silent and unresponsive. The trend of the present generation seems to be more conservative than that of the founders of our order in the state, yet their spirit is true and sincere, the conviction is deep, and the loyalty dependable.

The Welsh churches have not been as prolific in the production of young aspirants for the pulpit in the last twenty-five years as in the previous twenty-five. This is a condition to grieve us, and it should awaken us all to the serious consideration of how we may inspire our young men with the needed conviction and enthusiasm in the direction of public service for the Lord. For many years the Welsh churches have had to look to Wales for their young ministers. Even if the services were all in English it would be difficult to find an adequate supply of pastors among English-speaking theological

students. Shall we turn to the young women to fill the need?

What are the Welsh churches doing to-day? They are forgetting the things which are behind and are pressing forward toward the higher mark of a united Congregational Church in Pennsylvania, where all differences in language and usages and nationality shall be lost, and we shall be known in the state as a denomination and as a conference of churches united in faith and action, and moving triumphantly forward in the spirit of the Pilgrim Fathers to win the world for Jesus Christ.

DRY BONES BROUGHT TO LIFE

By Rev. H. F. Gould, McKeesport, Pa.

IN McKeesport, a city of 50,000 population, situated at the junction of the Youghiogheny and Monongahela rivers, is in the strictest sense an industrial center. Here we have the largest tube mills and the greatest tin plate mills in the world. Here also is one of the largest seamless pipe mills in America, and many other minor industries that give employment to thousands of men, women, and boys. McKeesport forms a very important part of what is known in the commercial and industrial world as the Pittsburgh District.

Nearly twenty years ago, a group of mill workers and their families, all of them poor, organized what is now the First Congregational Church of McKeesport. Under the leadership of one of their number, the little mission grew until they felt that they should become a church. They asked the Pittsburgh Association to ordain their leader, Mr. L. A. Kirkland, as minister, and to receive them into the Congregational fellowship. Since that time the church has gone on, making slow progress. It had its ups and downs, mostly downs, until discouragement and gloom settled like a pall upon the organization. Yet, through it all, a little group of loyal supporters stuck, until, in what was their darkest hour, relief came from The Congregational Home Missionary Society. A plan was worked out whereby the Home Missionary Society should back the church for a term of years in an effort to make it what Congregationalism would like to have it become in such a community. In accordance with that plan, a pastor was chosen, and it so happened that I was the man selected. The story I now tell is the achievement of faith.

October 1, 1916, I began my ministry here. At that time no one seemed to know where the church was located. The police could not direct me, and the conductor on the street car that passed the building every day could not tell me where to find it. All of which shows how little influence the church really had. I found the people discouraged but still willing to try. The building was badly in need of repair, the organization was divided by factions, debts had been accumulating for years, and the whole proposition had to be faced with faith and a grim determination to win.

At the time of this writing, December 12, 1917, the church is one of the best known in the city. All past debts of a local nature have been paid in full. The budget of current expenses, twice as great as ever before, has been met up to date. A new parsonage has been purchased and the entire cost of it provided for by bona fide subscriptions. The church has been redecorated, new art glass windows have replaced the old plain panes, electric fixtures have been put in, and the entire building has been given an attractive and inviting appearance. More than twelve hundred dollars worth of improvements has been added to the property and all bills paid.

The church has been organized in every department. System and organization have replaced haphazard methods of conducting the business affairs. Harmony has prevailed over the factions and all are working for the church. Forty-eight new members have been added to the roll and a new class is now ready to be received. Strong Ladies' Aid and Women's Missionary Societies have been organized. From a position of no account the church has emerged to a place in every important feature of the city's life. No plans for social welfare are made without giving the First Congregational Church its just share of the responsibility and opportunity.

You ask, "How have these things been accomplished?" I have already answered. It is an achievement of faith. Not the kind that sits supinely waiting for God to perform some marvelous miracle, but a strong, sane faith, that looks the problem squarely in the face, takes a proper estimate of the resources, does not magnify the difficulties, and harnesses all the energies and genius of each individual in the force, so that co-operation of the whole is secured.

Like Nehemiah of old, our first endeavor was to give hope to the hopeless, encouragement to the discouraged, and heart to the disheartened. To do this we proposed a simple yet comprehensive and workable program for the year, a program that called for the best that was in every member and offered an opportunity for the largest service each could render. Two definite objects were sought in this program: First, to bring the city to the church, and second, to carry the church to the city. We, therefore, undertook to educate our own people as to what Congregationalism really stands for, and also to inform the city that Congregationalism is a fellowship of the highest order, that there is no other church in the city like it, that there is a Congregational church in the city, and just where that church can be found. This called for an advertising campaign. The greatest feature of this campaign was a splendid street pageant, illustrative of Congregational history and ideals. This pageant was composed of floats mounted upon automobiles. Each float was unique of itself, but formed a part of a program that told the story of Congregational achievement in a new way to the people of McKeesport. All the characters wore costumes appropriate to the times and people they represented. Some of the principal floats were Democracy, a splendid spectacle; The Mayflower, as nearly as it could be made, a replica of the famous vessel; signing the Constitution of Government; Massasoit welcoming the Pilgrims; Pilgrims going to church, an exact representation of the famous picture, and so perfect that it was awarded first prize by the committee; founding the public school system; the famous Haystack Prayer Meeting; the first Thanksgiving, and many others, each presenting a chapter of Congregational history. There were in line two brass bands and seventy-five automobiles, and more than 5,000 people witnessed the spectacle.

"Surely," you say, "this must be an active, lively church." Yes, it is, and it is becoming more lively each day that the remedy is applied. What is the remedy? The following prescription gives the ingredients: First, optimism. Sunlight is the best dispeller of gloom yet discovered. It never pays to overestimate the difficulties. Second, punch. The weak-kneed need to be knocked completely off their pins, that they may discover how weak they really are. The were-not-able folk need to have the wind punched out of them before they are ready to admit that a little starch can really be put into their weak backbones. Third, grit. To win one must be willing to do anything, bear all things, and yet hold fast to his objective. Fourth, grace. Without it our optimism can only see the mirage, our punch will become

pugilistic, and our grit pure "cussedness." But with grace optimism becomes the glow of reality, punch is a shove from a brother in the right direction, and grit becomes sanctified determination to do the thing committed to our charge in the best way possible.

A JUBILEE

By Miss Barbara Slavinskie, Shenandoah, Pa.

ONE of the happiest and most long-to-be-remembered occasions of the work in Shenandoah, Pennsylvania, was the celebration of the Golden Anniversary of the church, some months ago. Although a most prosperous work in the early days of its existence in the anthracite region, it passed through many years of cloud, intermingled with occasional rays of sunshine. But a general resurrection of the work some eight years ago literally "turned its clouds about" and taught us "to wear them inside out," so that now the silver lining is distinctly outermost.

Preparations were made weeks in advance of the great event, and a three-days' series of afternoon and evening meetings planned for. Neighbors and friends from far and near with an active interest in our management helped with the decorations, programs and finances. In keeping with the sentiment of the times the color scheme for our decorations was red, white and blue, and the front wall of the church was draped from ceiling to floor with an immense American flag, loaned us by one of the collieries, while numerous flags of all sizes were in evidence everywhere. A platform was built across the front of the building to accommodate the large chorus of about one hundred voices, which, under the leadership of Prof. Llewelyn, a noted leader of Welsh Eisteddvods, rendered such splendid music the night that our anniversary concert was given.

Among out-of-town speakers whose messages were delivered with stirring effect and who brought true inspiration to us, were Miss Miriam L. Woodberry and Rev. Charles W. Carroll, our Superintendent. Dr. Edwards came with something to touch the hearstrings of our oldest members particularly—a word in their mother tongue, Welsh, and to serve as conductor of the concert. Other Congregational pastors, some of them former ministers of this church, together with ministers of almost every Protestant church of our town took some active part on our program.

The concert was pronounced one of the best ever held in this region, everyone heartily agreeing that it was worth many times the price of admission. The church was crowded to its utmost capacity with people of all denominations and nationalities.

Another interesting feature was a banquet on the final night of our gatherings, restricted to our membership largely and a few invited guests. Here our own church talent was displayed and after dinner speeches were very neatly made by some of our church members, who spoke of the past history of the church, its present condition and hopeful outlook for the future. Last, but not least, came the gold offering of the church, in which individuals, Sunday-school classes, and the different organizations of the church, responded generously with offerings in gold, not one giving less than the smallest denomination in gold money, and many contributing more. This was mixed with a genuine spirit of "God loveth the cheerful giver." Will friends pray for us here that this awakening will keep us strong and faithful for future endeavor.

A CHURCH REJUVENATED

By Rev. John MacMillan, Vineland, N. J.

THE history of the past three years of the Congregational Church of the Pilgrims, Vineland, New Jersey, should be written at Easter time, for it is the history of a veritable church resurrection. This resurrection is a fitting tribute to the foresight and statesmanship of the officers of the Home Missionary Society.

After depending on supplies for fifteen years, during the last two of which neither Sunday evening service nor midweek prayer meeting was held, the church requested Superintendent Rev. C. W. Carroll to direct the closing up of its affairs and the disposal of the church building. Instead of doing so Mr. Carroll advised the calling of a pastor who would give all his time to the work, and then secured for the church the services of Rev. John MacMillan. Mr. MacMillan had spent several years in evangelistic work as a minister of the Methodist Church.

REV. JOHN MACMILLAN

The new pastor entered the parish in November 1914, and was regularly installed by council two months later. From the very beginning the congregation co-operated heartily in the work, so that success was assured. Since then the story of the church is also the story of the forward movement in the life of all the evangelical churches in Vineland.

One of the contributing causes to the success of the work was the pastor's ability to estimate correctly the spirit of the community. Instead of depending on annual efforts along evangelistic lines, he settled down to a very quiet, but none the less efficient method and program. The midweek prayer meeting was revived and soon became a place of instruction, rendered attractive to both old and young. Then cottage prayer meetings were held in the homes of the people and, wherever possible, in the homes of non-church-goers. In this work the pastor was ably seconded by Mrs. MacMillan, who conducted the meetings in town while Mr. MacMillan was busy in the country sections of the parish. In this way two or more such meetings were held every week. These meetings naturally added to the attendance at the Sunday services and in turn became the means of bringing many persons to the great decision. Conversions have taken place at both morning and evening service on Sunday, at prayer meeting, cottage prayer meeting, and most important of all, in the course of pastoral visitation.

Pastoral work holds a large place in the success of the Vineland church. Tactfulness in this department, added to faithful personal dealing in spiritual things, has resulted in many notable conversions. Mrs. MacMillan accompanies her husband as often as possible in his pastoral visits and has obtained a wonderfully strong influence over the women folks.

Two sons and a daughter, all workers in choir, Sunday-school and Christian Endeavor, helped to hold the young people together. These two boys are now in France, having gone over in May last with a base hospital unit, which was organized in Philadelphia. But even there they are not idle, but help in the Y. M. C. A. and other services, as well as doing personal work among their comrades and patients. Another son left for Russia in December, accompanying Dr. A. C. Garte as his assistant in the big contract of organizing the Y. M. C. A. work in Russia and Roumania. Miss Laura MacMillan is taking up some of the work formerly done by her brothers, and under her leadership the Christian Endeavor Society is holding cottage prayer meetings for the shut-ins.

In the three years ending December, 1917, over one hundred and twenty persons have joined the church on confession and about thirty by letter. The war and war work have, unfortunately, drawn heavily on the membership both of church and Sunday-school, but the courage of the remainder has not failed, and in December ten new members were received into the church on confession.

The action of the Church Building Society, in making a grant and loan to give the church a financial start, had a great deal to do with the success of the effort to resurrect it.

Finances are handled very carefully and the Every Member Canvass is in force. This made possible the paying of the 1917 apportionments in full.

The church property itself has been improved. A new platform has been built, including choir and orchestra stalls. A set of pulpit chairs was donated by a Philadelphia friend of the pastor. Other friends paid for improvements to the basement. Ten handsome stained glass windows have taken the place of the old plain glass. One of these is in memory of the late Rev. Samuel Schofield, who served the church for about a year; another bears the inscription, "In appreciation of Rev. and Mrs. John MacMillan." Last fall a complete electric lighting system was installed and resulted in a reduction of the monthly light bills.

The most courageous effort along financial lines was the building of a $5,100 parsonage, which was completed in March, 1916. It is a substantial building, with all modern improvements, including a hot-water heating system. The lot was donated by one of the church members, Mrs. C. L. Lyzott, and the pastor acted as architect and builder. Eleven hundred dollars was raised by Mrs. MacMillan and her Bible Class during the time of building, and since then, five hundred dollars has been paid on the mortgage principal, the pastor paying the interest as rent.

"THREE SONS IN THE NATIONAL SERVICE"

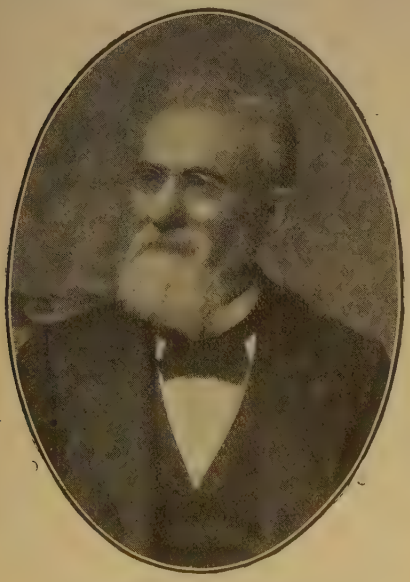
The fostering care of the Superintendent has had a marked effect on these three years of successful endeavor and has been gratefully recognized by both pastor and people, who say that "Vineland is on the map to stay."

A number of the young men belonging to our church at Fountain Springs, Pennsylvania, has recently entered the national army. In spite of this loss, however, the people retain their interest and enthusiasm in the work of the church.

THE PROBLEM OF A CITY

By Rev. Harry W. Myers, Jr., Philadelphia, Pa.

PHILADELPHIA, with its million and three-quarters population, is noted for many things that make a city worth knowing. Historically it stands as the "Cradle of Liberty." Here we not only have Independence Hall where the Declaration of Independence was signed, and where may be seen the precious relic, the Liberty Bell, which proclaimed what the Continental Congress had done, but Congress Hall and Carpenter's Hall, where the first Continental Congress met. This city was founded by the Society of Friends or Quakers, in 1682, under the leadership of William Penn. He made a treaty with the Indians under the elm at Shackamaxon, near where our Pilgrim Church now stands. This famous treaty, by which the land was acquired from the Indians, permitted



REV. EDWIN WILBUR RICE

the settlers to live in peace for a period of seventy years.

To-day Philadelphia has the distinction of being the most American city of all our large centers of population. It is a city of homes and churches. There are 380,000 separate dwellings, eighty-five per cent of which are owned by the occupants, and there are over 700 churches, representing forty denominations and societies. It is the greatest Sunday-school city in the world, with an approximate enrollment of 303,400 people.

Of the 264 products manufactured in America, 211 are made in this city. It has over 9000 manufacturing plants, to which over 150 new enterprises, or newly-built extensions of mills or factories were added during the past year.

Shipbuilding on the Delaware is increasing rapidly. Never in the history of the world has this industry been so stimulated. With eight yards, employing 44,000 men, and paying the highest wages ever known to mechanics, they are now seeking to increase the number to 84,000.

The prosperity of the city is seen in every phase of life and industry. Where in former years there have been on an average from 15,000 to 18,000 vacant houses, this season there are less than 3,000, and these are in remote sections or held at too high a rental.

In view of these facts, the Congregational Missionary Society of Philadelphia has been planning to establish more churches. If ever the time was ripe for new churches of our faith and order to be added to the group of seven churches in our city and the four in New Jersey, it seems to be now.

The Baptist and the Presbyterian bodies have their main offices and publishing houses here. Several other denominations have Philadelphia as their headquarters or have several important departments here, among them the Methodists. They all are making much of the opportunities at hand and are spending money for definite results.

While about 30,000 men have en-

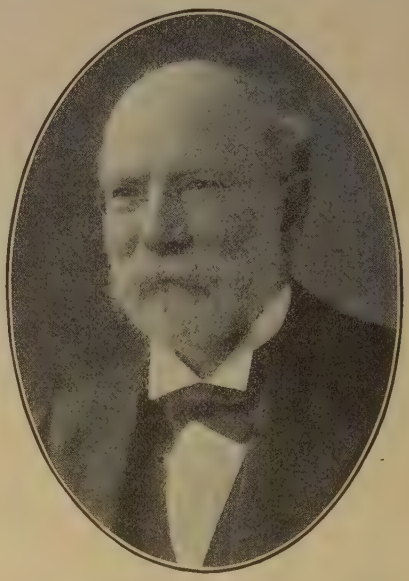
listed since the war began, yet the increase in population has been between 60,000 and 100,000. It is believed that about 20,000 women workers have for the first time this year become wage earners.

It is probable that it will not be long before the consolidation of the outlying districts into the city proper will take place. This will make Philadelphia a city of 3,000,000. The transit program, of which much is now under construction, is preparing for this growth.

Philadelphia at the present time occupies more ground space than the cities of Boston, Cleveland, and Baltimore put together. Therefore, there is room for more churches of the Pilgrim faith, if space were the only question to be considered; but we believe that democracy demands that its form shall be seen in religious organization and expounded in its pulpit to-day more than at any other time in history. It is in the large cities that the Gospel will find its greatest field in the future.

The present-day Congregationalism dates back only half a century, and while our Central Church has just passed its fiftieth birthday, we have our history dating back to 1689, when was organized what later became the First Presbyterian Church. At various other times Congregational churches were founded here, but for one reason or another they have passed out of existence.

Central Church, of which Rev. William V. Berg is pastor, has had a very useful career. The Rev. Edwin W. Rice, LL.D., who for over fifty years has been connected with the American Sunday School Union, which has its headquarters in this city, has for many years been the editor of its publications. He has written and edited many books. He is a member of Central, and as honorary editor to-day is as active as when he was in full charge of the editorial work. He is a Pilgrim in whose judgment and Christian leadership the Philadelphia churches have confidence. Rev. Moseley Hooker Williams, Ph.D., also a member of Central Church, and who was connected for thirty-six years with the



REV. MOSELEY HOOKER WILLIAMS

American Sunday School Union as assistant to Dr. Rice, died November 9, 1917. He was a preacher and a friend to all our churches, and he is sadly missed by a host of people in the Christian service.

Our churches are situated in sections far enough apart to prevent overlapping. The Germantown Church is in a flourishing part of the city, and its pastor, the Rev. H. L. Pyle, is giving a forceful administration. Park Church is so situated that most all of its people live at a distance. Yet it possesses, under the pastorate of Rev. Clinton B. Adams, perhaps the most loyal constituency of our group. For twenty-two years Mr. Adams has shepherded this flock, and at Christmas they presented him with a gift of two hundred and fifty dollars. Glenolden Church, of which Rev. William H. Medlar is pastor, is a growing enterprise, with a beautiful chapel. In the near future a church auditorium will be added. Pilgrim Church celebrated its twen-

tieth anniversary in December. Its growth has been steady rather than rapid, and under the present pastorate it reports the best year in its history. This community, in the northeastern part of the city, is in a large measure made up of people who own their own homes and are engaged in the business life of the city.

Kensington Church, greatly interested in the workers in the textile industries, is also in the northeastern part of the city. Situated among the largest mills in the country, this church is receiving four hundred dollars a year of missionary aid to help it meet the pressing needs of the community, which numbers about 100,000 people. The Rev. Walter M. Randles is pastor of this interesting church, which has a very large building, but needs even a larger appropriation to fulfill its mission in so large a parish. There are a number of churches here, but there is no overlapping.

Snyder Avenue Church is situated in the extreme southeastern part of the city, from which nearly every Protestant church has moved because of the number of Jews who have come into this section. There are about 90,000 people here, and perhaps 80,000 are Hebrews. This church, under the leadership of Rev. David Leyshon, is doing good work, and the membership is increasing since so many of the other churches have left the field to us. They receive only two hundred dollars missionary aid, and are bravely adjusting a debt due to the building of a beautiful plant which is of great service in the work.

Kensington Church and Snyder Avenue Church have unlimited possibilities. If we could invest more money in them and enable them to meet the pressing needs of these times, we would gain much. The Snyder Avenue Church is near the League Island Navy Yard, the largest operated by the United States Government, and here are quartered hundreds of our men, many finding their way to church each Sunday.

This year our City Society hopes to see its way clear "to go up and possess the land" that is teeming with people who are coming to the city to make their living, and perhaps their fortunes and their homes. Philadelphia needs more churches of the Pilgrim faith for a time like this.

HOW CONGREGATIONALISM FITS UNCHURCHED COMMUNITIES

By Rev. W. H. H. Joyce, Hackensack, N. J.

AT Hackensack, New Jersey, the Fairmont Union Chapel has been transformed into the First Congregational Church, thus giving to the denomination for the first time a representative place of worship and center of activities in this historic shire town of Bergen County. This was accomplished by another of those easy and natural movements which have so often proven the Congregational spirit and system to be a solution of sectarian difficulties. Old Hackensack, perpetrating the name of the Indian tribe which occupied this vicinity, situated twelve miles west of New York City and the same distance north of Newark, was established early in the seventeenth century by Dutch and Swedish settlers who had pushed across the rivers to the east. After rude shelter had been built, the first care of these sturdy pioneers was the erection of a place of worship, and thus the Dutch Reformed Church became the mother church of this section. Another story might have been written had not the winds and tides wafted from the course of their original intention, the rapt voyagers from Delftshaven. Howbeit the settle-

ment prospered and soon the solid stone houses, many of which are still standing, lined the long, single street of the town. Growth was steady but slow. Life was quiet, uneventful and slumbrous, enlivened only by the march of Continental troops, or the incursion of British raiders from across the river.

For a space of a century and a half the most characteristic and outstanding incidents in the annals of the town were the bitter religious controversies in which doughty ecclesiastical gladiators battled, and split after split occurred in the original church.

A change came with the perfection of modern rapid transit facilities, and the consequence was an outward movement of people from the cities. Hackansack is now a beautiful, modern, little city of prosperous and happy homes, in reality a residential suburb of New York. The Fairmont section, in which the church is located, was originally an independent development to meet the demands of the home seekers from the nearby cities. It is now the fifth ward of the municipality. With the growth of a distinct community, the need of church and Sunday-school facilities made itself felt, and about twenty years ago, a Sunday-school was organized in the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Lowndes. This was the beginning of a concerted community movement which materialized in the erection of the Fairmont Chapel, a beautiful little structure, churchly in design, practical in its management, and representing an outlay of about $7000.

The work of the Sunday-school continued and efforts were made to establish regular public worship. At various times the several local churches undertook to provide pastoral oversight, but the results were irregular and unsatisfactory. Finally in the fall of 1916, a committee from the trustees entered into conference with Rev. C. W. Carroll and an arrangement was made under which a pastor was provided under the auspices of the New Jersey Home Missionary Society. While the work presented peculiar difficulties, owing chiefly to the desultory and unsuccessful character of previous efforts, the results achieved to date justify the expectation that steady and substantial growth will ensue.

The trustees of the chapel have formally transferred the property to the trustees of the Congregational church and an organization has been effected composed of twenty-five adult members. The Sunday-school has been annexed *in toto* and its work enlarged. An active Ladies' Society is zealously at work and it is our confident hope that a fully-equipped church will be functionary throughout the community, serving all the interests of the Kingdom.

Here was a constituency of Christian people wearing various denominational badges, desiring to come together in unconstrained fellowship for spiritual worship and religious service, and the result is naturally—a Congregational church.

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MISSIONARY WORK AMONG THE SLOVAKS

By Rev. Andrew Gavlik, Duquesne, Pa.

Does It Pay?

THE writer of this article leaves the answer to this question to the reader. He simply wishes to assure the reader that these lines are from the pen of an eye-witness, inasmuch as the writer himself is one of the first fruits of the work here described.

Sound Foundations

In the early history of American Congregationalism we read that

some Congregational churches insisted on regenerated membership. There are still such Congregational churches in America. These are Slovak churches. The first Congregational missionaries among the Slovak people labored hard and for a long time before twelve of us who were attending their services were really converted and before they felt it was possible to organize us into the First Congregational Church. Nothing short of this would have done us much good. Yea, nothing short of this could have influenced us to become Congregationalists. We had to be made Christians before we could be ready, willing and glad to be made Congregationalists. When the first task was accomplished, the second was easy. The second was done in order that the labor expended on the first effort might not be lost.

We are not sufficiently popular as a church for people to look to us without first being converted to Jesus Christ. We are still made to feel by actual experience what it means to be a Christian. The word of God comes to us with full force in this respect. There is still enough of religious bigotry and superstition among our people to make the real religion of Jesus Christ unpopular. We and those who join with us have to bear being looked upon with disfavor by our former friends. However, this state of affairs has its good side. Undesirable members keep out of our fellowship, and though the church may suffer numerically to some extent, it is kept in a healthier condition spiritually. As far as its spiritual influence is concerned, it is stronger as it is. Unconverted people do not help the church.

A SLOVAK SOLDIER AT CAMP LEE

Apostolic Times Repeated

Some time ago the writer was passing by an old church building at East Liberty, and noticing a sign with the above heading, decided to enter. There were six or eight persons present. Much of religious nonsense was expressed, and he left very much disgusted with nearly everything he had witnessed. However, he had learned a lesson; he was reminded of the "Apostolic Times Repeated" in the missionary work being done among his own people and in more beneficial and substantial ways.

This is shown in the efforts of our converts to bring others to Christ. More than half of our few churches owe their origin not to commissioned missionaries but to our converts. The work in Duquese was started by an illiterate Greek Catholic who had been converted. At Stockdale the work was begun by a few miners who went there from Braddock to labor in the mines. The church at Elmdale, Minnesota, owed its organization to one of our students from the Slavic Department at Oberlin. He was ill and went to Elmdale to rest and recover. While there he started to preach Christ to his friends, and the result was the founding of the Slovak Congregational Church. There

are other places where our converts have held religious meetings, won others to the cause, and thus prepared the way for missionary work, but had not the means with which to actively enter the opened fields.

Some of our converts carried the Gospel back to the old country—Hungary. We know of at least three villages in that country in which our converts have held religious meetings and won friends to Christ. Until twelve months ago we received letters from men in the trenches in Europe who formerly attended our services here. The letters were full of appreciation and gratitude to God that He had brought them into touch with us and our work while they were in America. They frankly stated that what they learned of the Word of God while they were with us upholds them and comforts them now in their time of trial. These men would have been members of our church had they remained in this country.

Allow me to relate a circumstance which came to my knowledge only about three weeks ago. Two women came to our house from South Fork in order to spend a Sunday and hear the Word of God in their own language. The distance from Duquesne to South Fork is eighty-five miles.

SOME OF OUR LITTLE FOLKS

These women are sisters and the older one lived in Duquesne some years ago. She attended our church regularly while here. Then she left and we had almost forgotten her, but she did not forget us. Neither did she forget what she had heard at our church years ago. Since that time she has married and brought her husband to Christ. Then her sister came from the old country and she showed her the way to Christ. The

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sister married and through her influence the husband was converted. At last the brother came under the influence of these Christian lives and he won his wife to Christ. Thus three families are in the Kingdom because that girl came into touch with missionary work among the Slovaks some years ago. When the women left our home they begged me to come to see them as often as possible. You see, there is a field for the beginning of a work, and the homes of these two families would be open for services. Of course, I do not know enough about the place to say that such a step is advisable even if we had the means to undertake it; but surely occasional services would be most helpful.

Our people enjoy going with us to preach the Gospel on the corners of the different streets, both in Duquesne and McKeesport. On one occasion a young man from our church was struck in the face. It

would have been an easy matter for him to return the blow, for he is a strong fellow, but he preferred to bear it like a Christian should. His restraint had a splendid influence on the bystanders. Had we not pleaded

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with them not to do so, they would have punished the offender themselves.

We see the apostolic times repeated in the faithful attendance of our people on the means of grace. A large percentage of our membership is always present at our meetings—preaching services, Sunday-school, two prayer meetings each week (one in Duquesne and one in McKeesport), and the Senior and Junior Christian Endeavor gatherings. I tell you, reader, that some people are disgracing God by their careless attendance on the means of grace. Say what we may, the man or woman, young or old, who is constant in his attendance at the house of God is ten times more ready to do God's work than the one who is careless about coming to the services.

I do not know whether we can so boldly say that the apostolic times are repeated with us when it comes to the question of giving for the support of the church missions and other benevolences, but we are told that we are among those who are in the lead in this respect. Last year forty-four persons gave $177.70, an average of $4.04 each, and five church societies gave $80.50, an average of $16.10 each. The money came voluntarily when the church decided that the treasurer would receive money for missions. I believe that more would have been given this year had not pressing calls come to us from the Red Cross, Y. M. C. A. Campaign, Boy Scouts' Campaign, and the Red Cross again.

There is much more that could be said and which ought to be said about our work, but time and space do not permit us to do it now. We leave our dear readers, who are also our dear friends, to judge and to answer the question, "Does it pay to do missionary work among the Slovaks in America?"

A FOREIGN FIELD AT HOME

By. Rev. W. F. Frazier, Little Ferry, N. J.

AN appeal to the Christian sympathy and a challenge to the Christian service of the Congregationalists of northern New Jersey is presented by the more than 3,000 souls gathered within a radius of a mile in the borough of Little Ferry. Not a conscious appeal or a flaunted challenge, it consists in unwitting genuine human worth and need; just that sort of worth and need the fulfillment of which was the glory set before the Master, the lure of His life. Though mute, it is none the less eloquent and urgent.

These people, three-fourths of whom are foreign born, or children of foreign born, have escaped the

tenements of the neighboring cities and have sought the more salubrious surroundings of a rural community to rear their children. Perhaps ninety per cent of them expect to make their homes here for the remainder of their days and are successfully struggling, by the aid of a Loan Association, to pay the heavy mortgages on their little homes.

The largest racial group represented is Bohemian, a people from Bohemia. They are one of the restive, national elements of Austria-Hungary and are not to be confused with the "Bohemians" who infest our cities. A peasant people who have again and again lost all their nobles and national leaders in their protests and rebellions against German bishops and German political oppression, they have proven "as indestructible as the soil," glorious with the blood of their martyrs. In spite of their contempt and hatred of the hypocritical, grasping ecclesiasticism which oppressed them in Europe, today finds them without religious faith, but not irreligious. Compared with other peoples who have drunk not half so deeply of the cup of bitterness; their whole attitude is kind, dignified and generous. Of religious need they are keenly aware, at least so far as their children are concerned. The meager equipment possessed by the Congregational church is wholly inadequate to meet their needs. A Roman Catholic church, recently built, is much better; and the temperate, considerate form of American Romanism will be able ere long to claim the allegiance of much of this community if the Congregationalists do not immediately function in a fashion commensurate with the community's needs. Protestantism stands in this community at the parting of the ways. It will be much greater or much less than it has been and that right early.

The approach to such a community problem as this is various. Community interests such as the Red Cross and the Public Schools have been carried on in an admirable fashion, but at a sacrifice of which communities in more fortunate financial circumstances, or possessed of considerable, corporate interests, know nothing. These interests constitute one fragment of the church's field. Amusement is an absolutely vital problem in a community where practically every diversion is connected with the saloon. Besides scouts and outdoor amusements, a moving picture apparatus should be provided immediately, and at the earliest possible moment a complete parish house is a dire necessity. The borough can boast quite an excellent newspaper which ought to be utilized and which offers a rare opportunity for the presentation of Christian truth. The regular services of the church must be educative as well as devotional, and printed services, making use of the gates of speech, eye as well as ear, are of even greater value than to more cultured congregations. All these approaches are being used to the utmost limit of our circumscribed finances.

But the greatest problem is that of room for the ordinary educational and devotional services of the church. While a log with a great teacher on one end and a student on the other might constitute a university, if the number of students were increased to two or three hundred, it would probably prove necessary to secure extensive accommodation. Our only room will seat one hundred adults; and without being invited about one hundred and fifty children present themselves each Sunday for religious instruction. To say nothing of the great need of a parish house for other purposes, given the room, the Sunday-school could be increased with little effort.

Such are the facts challenging the sympathy and service of our fellowship and fairly demanding that our good will be transmuted into effective activity on behalf of this community.

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MONTHLY COMPARATIVE STATEMENT

1917		GIFTS FROM THE LIVING					LEGACIES
		Contributions	From State Societies	Total	Paid State Societies	Net Available for National Work	
FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER	Av'ge four previous yrs.	$ 12,189.48	$ 4,729.91	$16,919.30	$ 1,505.56	$ 15,417.83	$14,970.08
	Present year	10,751.67	4,831.70	15,583.37	1,096.70	14,486.67	16,048.20
	Increase		$ 101.79				$ 1,078.12
	Decrease	$ 1,437.81		$ 1,336.02	$ 404.86	$ 931.16	
FOR NINE MONTHS FROM APRIL 1	Av'ge four previous yrs	$54,451.88	$20,777.08	$75,228.96	$16,979.15	$58,249.81	$102,327.71
	Present year	58,276.56	23,233.11	81,509.67	22,712.27	58,797.40	81,251.17
	Increase	$ 3,824.68	$ 2,456.03	$ 6,280.71	$ 5,733.12	$ 547.59	
	Decrease						$21,076.54

The Congregational Home Missionary Society has three main sources of income. Legacies furnish, though very irregularly, approximately forty-eight per cent., or $120,000 annually. To avoid fluctuation, when more is received, it is placed in the Legacy Equalization Fund. Investments furnish nine per cent., or about $22,000 annually. Contributions from churches, societies and individuals afford substantially forty-three per cent., or $108,000 annually. For all but eighteen states the treasurer of The Congregational Home Missionary Society receives and expends these contributions. In those eighteen states, affiliated organizations administer home missionary work in co-operation with The Congregational Home Missionary Society. Each of these organizations forwards a percentage of its undesignated receipts to the national treasury. To each of these the national treasury forwards a percentage of undesignated contributions from each state respectively. The percentages to The Congregational Home Missionary Society in the various states are as follows:

California (North), 5; California (South), 5; Connecticut, 60; Illinois, 25; Iowa, 25; Kansas, 5; Maine, 10; Massachusetts, 33 1-3; Michigan, 15; Minnesota, 5; Missouri, 5; Nebraska, 5; New Hampshire, 50; New York, 10; Ohio, 13; Rhode Island, 20; Vermont, 32; Washington, 8; Wisconsin, 10.

DETERMINING THE STANDARD

The above comparisons are the ones with which the Board of Directors of The Congregational Home Missionary Society sit down in their annual meeting to make up the budget for the work of the year. On the basis of this showing the plan of work is made out. We had hoped that it would be such a showing as to justify a forward movement. We wanted to raise the salaries of low-paid missionaries and relieve them from the brunt of the battle with the high cost of living. We wanted to enter some of the many open doors for important new work. We wanted to be able to intensify and strengthen the work hitherto undertaken. But we will not complain. We are thankful that the showing seems to warrant refusing to take backward steps. Moreover, we are hopeful that as the months of 1918 come on, the returns will make possible some of our ambitions. Thank you, good friends, for not deserting the home missionary who is staying with the stuff in these critical times.

FORM OF A BEQUEST.

"I give and bequeath the sum of.....dollars to The Congregational Home Missionary Society, organized in the State of New York in the year 1826."

CONDITIONAL GIFTS.

Write to the Treasurer for information regarding this plan of administering your own estate.

THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH BUILDING SOCIETY

Office: 287 Fourth Avenue, New York
Charles E. Burton, D.D., General Secretary
Church Extension Boards
Charles H. Richards, D.D., Church Building Secretary
Charles H. Baker, Treasurer
Field Secretaries, John P. Sanderson, D.D., 19 So. La Salle Sreet, Chicago, Ill.; William W. Leete, D.D., Room 611, Congregational House, Boston, Mass.; Rev. H. H. Wikoff, 417 Market Street, San Francisco, Cal.; Assistant Field Secretary, Mrs. C. H. Taintor, Clinton, Conn.

We start the new year with a bigger docket of applications than ever. Eleven churches are asking for parsonage loans. One hundred and six churches are appealing for grants and church loans. These one hundred and seventeen churches are eagerly waiting for the response of this Society to their requests.

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We can help these churches, if the churches and their affiliated societies, and generous individuals will send us the money. We are dependent on what comes in month by month for the funds with which to make appropriations.

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Now is the time for each Congregational church to plan its giving for the current year. Plan to reach the full apportionment mark. Let the slogan be, **a donation from every church to every one of our seven national benevolent societies in 1918.**

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Gifts from the Sunday School, the Christian Endeavor Society, the women's societies, and the men's societies all count on the church's apportionment. It is easy to make up the total amount if the work be well planned and persistently pushed.

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Our fiscal year closed on December 31. We congratulate the churches on the Treasurer's report that contributions of churches and their affiliated societies in 1917 exceeded those of our banner year (1916) by $11,796. The churches are appreciating the importance of this work as never before.

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The gain in contributions makes us regret the more keenly that the Treasurer is compelled to report a shortage in certain other sources of income. In 1916 we succeeded in selling several pieces of real estate which we had been carrying for some time. Some abandoned church properties were also turned into cash. These sales brought to our treasury for use in other church building more than $30,000. This year we received less than two-thirds of that amount.

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War conditions have also crippled some churches so that they have been unable to repay the full instalments on their loans received from this Society. They have also diminished conditional gifts. Legacy receipts have also been smaller. As a result, we must report total receipts less by some

$30,000 than those of our best year. This means that everybody must take hold of this work, so vital to the success of our church, and push the total receipts of 1918 well beyond those of our banner year.

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Every pastor of a rural church which is planning to build a house of worship or parish house ought to have Rev. Edmund deS. Brunner's book, "The New Country Church Building." It is published by the Missionary Education Movement, 156 Fifth Ave., New York. Send seventy-five cents, and it will be mailed to you. It meets the recent demand for something which will enable rural churches to provide for the social and educational needs of their communities, as well as for public worship. It shows how to make your church a community center. Many floor plans are given to show how such needs may be met. It gives approximate cost of such buildings, although the estimates are uncertain on account of the recent increase in the cost of labor and materials. It does not attempt to give models of church architecture, for which service an experienced architect should be consulted. The book is invaluable for the practical suggestions it gives.

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The weekly bulletin of the First Congregational Church of Long Beach, California, carries these words which might well be inscribed on the calendar of every one of our churches:

"With careful thought and earnest prayer has this church been builded for the worship of Almighty God. The feeling of beauty and harmony that comes upon you as you enter this place, the atmosphere of rest and worship that envelops you as you remain, are designed to lift your soul to God; for this worshipful room is in itself a prayer. And although there be here no liturgy and no altar, yet music, service and sermon are one in seeking to create here that sense of the Divine Presence that can make this indeed the House of God. Enter, then, this church with reverence, and leave it not ere you have offered a prayer for yourself, for him that ministers and for those that worship here."

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"If you think you are beaten, you are;
If you think you dare not, you don't;
If you'd like to win, but you think you can't,
It's almost sure you won't.

"Life's battles don't always go
To the stronger or faster man;
But, soon or late, the man who wins
Is the one who **thinks** he can."

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FULL EQUIPMENT FOR LARGER SERVICE

By Rev. Charles W. Recard, Canton, O.

Our latest idea of the church house is a radical revision of the older idea. Slowly, but surely, we are coming to recognize that the dictum "all things to all men, if by any means we may save some," is as pertinent to church architecture as it is to soul saving.

The old notion that the church is a cozy corner for seraphic saints, located in a graveyard on the border of the other world, no longer compels our interest. That was too often a tall steeple at the top, and mostly sepulcre at bottom.

The jar of modern religious and

social upheaval is bringing us down from our high stilts in church erection as well as in theology, and we are undertaking to build in view of the business we are ordered to transact. Location and equipment must be suited to the demands of the task upon our hands. If the House of God has any excuse for existence at all, it is that it too must be made the House of man. What advantage in housing God if the style of His earthly abode repels the children of men whose fellowship He craves!

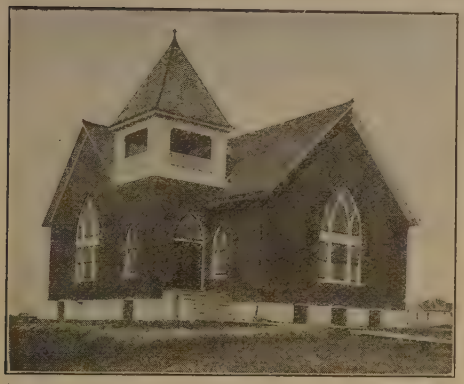
There is coming into vogue a new and more comprehensive terminology for the church house. We are beginning to speak of it as a "church plant." Its operations are multitudinous, and all with reference to the output of goods with which this old world needs to be stocked. New machinery for the production and distribution of these goods must find a place in the equipment of this plant. The style of architecture must be adequate to house and give free swing to every factor and function which may issue in Kingdom construction. It must provide a noble building which, **under one roof,** provides for such a broad guage enterprise as will turn the crude, raw materials of human junk into Christ-like character and Kingdom assets. We heartily welcome the day when the House of God and man is to be built for a service station as well as a shrine.

Note then, if you please, that in creating an equipment for larger service we must build **more roomy churches.** Larger space for the amplified program is needed. Room for growth and expansion are required. A diminutive brother without children was chafing a bit under the weight of erecting our great church house and remarked that it was a crime to build such a large house, giving as his reason that "We can get along with a much smaller place." **This is selfish, sinful, unpardonable!** No church should be allowed a permit to build anywhere which does not have in its vision and plan large community service for present and future. The auditorium should be spacious enough to accommodate large community gatherings and the community should be made to feel that the house belongs to all.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, CANTON, O.

It is interesting to note how space

SOME CHURCHES WE HELPED TO BUILD



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GERMAN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, YORK, NEB.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, PRESQUE ISLE, ME.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, PARIS, TEXAS

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, ARGO, ILL.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, CHASE, KAN.

may be conserved and utilized. If built on plain and sane lines hundreds and even thousands of square feet can be saved for valued uses. A sub-basement for heating equipment gives increased room for Sunday School and social activity. A great roof garden costing little more than the traditional roof-treatment, a real "sky parlor," has arrived and is here to stay. This new innovation on top of a church is no freak or fad conjured up for sensational press publicity. It's an up-to-date exposition of the gospel of Jesus in terms of common sense. It is the key to the solution of more than one grizzled old problem of church operation.

Take, for instance, getting an audience on Sunday nights during the hot weather season. It gets the people. I have seen how the young life of the community flock to such an elevation for fellowship and frolic under conditions both safe and wholesome. It also affords a playground for the children where they may romp and rejoice in pure air safely removed from dangers of congested city streets. **Playground is as important and sacred as pray ground.** Why not? Thanks to that noble young prophet of the new day of social service, Henry A. Atkinson, for his challenging utterance that it is as much the duty of the church to teach the children to play as it is to teach them to pray. Roof garden also provides a place for concerts, lectures, banquets, Bible classes, open forum, stereopticon entertainment and other worthy things.

Churches located near a Young Men's Christian Association may not need full gymnasium equipment, but, at any rate, should have ample game rooms and shower baths.

Brethren, we may not be able to reach the stage of fuller equipment without some struggle and may be a pitched battle. Old landmarks are not easily forsaken. We may think it too sacrilegious to chase some of the ghosts of our noble forefathers off our modern church premises. The church is not a place to house the ghosts of the fathers but a place to divinely school the children of today and tomorrow. We must divest ourselves of a lot of antiquated luggage and readjust our bearings so as to be more able to fit our shoulders to the heavy load of life which modern mortals are bearing. Unless we are quite soon equipped to be the supreme earthly burden-sharer-and-bearer, in the name of Christ, Christianity may incarnate herself in something else that will care for the job. Perhaps H. G. Wells is not far astray in his deduction that the church as we often see it is the disease of Christianity.

God speed the church as she faces the open door of world transformation. May she, too, be reborn and lend the strong hand in the making of the new humanity. May she recover for herself the original Kingdom-blue-print drawn by the only true architect and builder of churches worthy to be called Christian. The bold general outline of plans and specifications have not wholly faded from the Book. Although we have bungled long in trying to actualize it, we yet may prove what the true church looks like.

Ruskin whose eye could detect the truth divine in architecture tells us frankly that "there is the true church wherever one hand meets another helpfully, and that is the only Holy and Mother Church which ever was or ever shall be." May God help us that all our churches, whether a plain shed on western plains or marble cathedral in congested city, may answer to this simple but perfect description!

Read at the Annual Meeting (National Council), Columbus O., Oct. 17, 1917.

THE CONGREGATIONAL EDUCATION SOCIETY

President, C. F. Swift, D.D.; Vice President, C. R. Brown, D.D.; Secretary, Rev. F. M. Sheldon; Assistant Secretary, Rev. Edward S. Tead; Treasurer, S. F. Wilkins.

THE UNIVERSITY PASTORATE AT WISCONSIN

Rev. J. E. Sarles, Congregational University Pastor

Fathers and mothers want their sons and daughters as much interested in church while away at school as they were at home; but the fact that there are churches in university cities is no assurance that they will be. At home, going to church took them among their family's friends and their own. At school, going to church takes them among strangers. It only accentuates their feeling of loneliness.

The church has its hands so full with its growing work in its own community that it can do little besides open its doors for the students who come and go in such increasing numbers and for such a brief time—an average of only two years each at Wisconsin.

Normally we have over 7500 here during a twelve months, fully 1000 from Congregational homes. Here, as in other university communities where university pastorates are maintained, we are doing what the local church is unable to do in the way of reaching the students and re-enlisting their interest in the church, a new church in strange surroundings.

Immediately after the high school commencements, we send requests to all the Congregational ministers of the state, and to others outside from whose churches students have come to Madison recently, asking for the names of all Congregational young people who will probably attend the University of Wisconsin in the fall. To these we send personal letters, the university pastor and members of the Cabinet, telling them of our Congregational work at the university, offering them any assistance we can give, and inviting their interest. This gives them a point of contact with the church interests here before they come, and friends when they arrive. These cabinet members, upper class students, who have written newcomers during the summer, call on them, offer to attend church with them, and try to interest them in church membership. This service has been remarkably well done this past fall and with very gratifying results.

During the first week of school, we get the names and addresses of all new Congregational students. To these letters are sent, with leaflets enclosed, acquainting them with our Congregational student organization, the local church, and such other matters as may be of interest to them as church young people. An additional letter is sent in another week to those who are church members at home, calling their attention to the arrangement the local church has made whereby students may become associate members here without severing membership in their home churches, announcing the date of the next communion, and urging them to join.

During the last school year, one hundred twenty-seven became associate members, nine joining on confession of faith, nine by letter. Three hundred fifty-three have united with

the church during the last three school years. Seventy-nine joined the first ten weeks of this present school year, seven on confession.

We believe in the social approach. At the beginning of the school year, the local church holds a reception for our students. Following this, about a month, the Congregational Students' Association holds its annual banquet, a very pleasing affair, with the attendance increasing from some sixty the first banquet, three years ago, to nearly two hundred last October.

Throughout the year, each week, the university pastor and his wife, assisted by members of the social department of the Congregational Students' Association, entertain different groups of Congergational students at the Parish House. The young people come by special invitation and spend the evening in games and songs. "Mixers" they are called in campus language—and they are true to their name.

Occasional Sunday evenings of songs are held at the Parish House with the Congregational Students' Association orchestra and special musical numbers. We discover rare talent among our students, and they are always generous with it. And our equipment, a fine Parish House, is an asset of inestimable worth. This house, provided by the Congregationalists of Wisconsin, is the university pastor's home. It is into this home that the students come. There is nothing that suggests institutionalism beyond the lettering on the door. Home life is what boys and girls away from home want, and we give them this about the fire-place and the piano. The aggregate attendance last year was five hundred, the number so far this year proportionately large.

But this social life is not an end in itself. We are attempting in this, two things, directly. We want to establish among our young people friendships on a high level between people of fine character. Our Congregational students are remarked upon as clean, fine looking young people whenever they are to be seen in groups. We want them to know each other. And we want to establish natural relations between them and ourselves. They come to know us as their friend, and meet us afterward always as a friend. These conference hours we prize greatly—they are the most rewarding part of our work.

To supplement our personal efforts, our students are organized as the Congregational Students' Association, of which all young people at the university of Congregational church membership or preference are members. Its object is fourfold,

"1, To help Congregational students become better acquainted.

2, To co-operate with the University Pastor.

3, To offer every Congregational student an opportunity to engage in some form of church work.

4, To provide a link between the student and the church."

The association comprises six departments, Church, Social, Music, Religious Education, Finance, Social Service. The Church Department interests students in church attendance and membership. The Social Department promotes the social activities of the association. The Music Department provides music for student gatherings and co-operates with the music department of the local church. The Department of Religious Education works to develop interest in the study of religion. The Finance Department superintends the annual canvass for church and missionary funds. The Social Service Department seeks to be of assistance to new students in whatever way possible.

It co-operates with the Madison Congregational churches in their work with their young people, and lends itself to the social service work of the city. The activities of the Association are under the direction

of the Cabinet, composed of the officers and the chairmen of the various departments, forty-two in all. The Cabinet meets monthly, and membership in is coveted by our students.

Six other denominations maintain university pastorates at the University of Wisconsin. Whenever occasion offers, we co-operate heartily and effectively. Just now there is a move on foot to raise a fund for erecting and maintaining a Union Religious Center building which will house the work of all the denominations co-operating in the project. For a number of years, the university pastors of the Protestant denominations have conducted the University School of Religion, the classes meeting Sundays in the local churches. Last year, our Congregational section had a very interesting course in Fundamental Religious Problems. This year the course is in Bible Survey. Without university credit for work done, we do not get the number in attendance there would be with much credit, nevertheless the response is encouraging and the students value the work. One boy coming from a very conservative church, taking our work intended to help students meet problems which naturally arise in their studies in philosophy and science, came to us and said, "I wish every student would take that course. If I hadn't, I'm sure some of the things I have met in my studies would have undermined my faith."

Church work in a university community is not without difficulties. Students are tremendously busy. They are crowded with school work, some to the breaking point. Friday and Saturday evenings are the play time. They play so hard and work so hard that Sunday forenoon never is for a great many—they sleep till noon. For others it is a time for letter writing. And yet there is an average of three hundred students in the Sunday morning audiences of the Madison First Congregational church.

The rollicking, fun-loving boys and girls on the campus do not seem to promise much for tomorrow's service to the church, but underneath all this seeming heedlessness there is another strata. The student does not speak his deepest thoughts on first acquaintance. He is reserved in spite of all his bubbling energy. Sometimes a year or more will pass before he will take you with him into his inner consciousness. But when you arrive, you find in the majority of them the finest devotion to high ideals. Their theology is crude—if they have any—that is to be expected. Their grasp of some of the deeper realities is meager, but experience of after years will give them that. There is a fine sense of reverence for the character of Jesus and a splendid loyalty to his program of service. They are following him in a way to make us, their elders, sometimes ashamed of ourselves, but always proud of them. As I have gone with many of them these past months in their giving themselves to their country and the world, I see in their simple, unassuming devotion a reflection of the Master they have long been following. It makes one glad to have a part in holding such young people to their ideals. The church of the future is safe in the hands of such.

THE CONGREGATIONAL SUNDAY-SCHOOL EXTENSION SOCIETY

Office: 287 Fourth Avenue, New York.
Rockwell Harmon Potter, D. D., President; Charles E. Burton, D. D., General Secretary; Charles H. Baker, Treasurer.

Again we call attention to the new name at the top of this page. It is the same missionary work by the same people, but we are learning to say C. S. S. E. S. instead of C. S. S. & P. S. when we repeat the denominational alphabet.

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If your Sunday-school is not using the "Tercentenary in the Sunday School" chart, it is missing a splendid help. Write the Rev. Miles B. Fisher, D.D., 14 Beacon Street, Boston, Massachusetts, for particulars.

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Is there a community just too far from your church for people to attend your services? Ought there not to be a Sunday-school there? Why not enlist the members of the church in organizing and maintaining such a school? It would do the church good in more ways than one. Service is at the heart of the Christian life. Many Christian lives are weak for lack of it.

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Contributions for Sunday School missionary work should be sent to The Congregational Sunday School Extension Society, 287 Fourth Avenue, New York City. If by mistake money is sent to Boston or Chicago, it will reach its destination, for offices are maintained in those cities, but it will save time and expense if remittances are sent to the New York office.

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It seems wise not to use the Sunday School space in THE AMERICAN MISSIONARY for acknowledging receipts. Individual receipts are sent for all contributions and the Year Book shows the total receipts from each church for the year. To print in the magazine the large number of items involved, chiefly in small amounts, would require all the space available for the C. S. S. E. S. and involve large expense in compilation. It seems wiser to use the space and the money for other purposes.

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A number of Sunday School missionaries serve widely scattered communities in sparsely settled regions where their services are the only religious ministry. Five hundred dollars for an automobile doubles the ministry of such a worker. Why not invest where dividends will be redeemed lives and Christianized communities?

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It is a crisis of augmenting gravity. Our children must be given Christian ideals, led into Christian experiences, bound into the Christian fellowship, discover the Christian's sources of power. This not only for their sakes but for ours. Only such Christian ideals, self-control, fidelity and social vision can meet the extraordinary demands of these days and the more portentous that are to follow.

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The most promising approach to the public mind is to that part of it in

the making—our children. Every agency at our command must bend to this—the home, the church, the Sunday-school, and the day school. The Sunday-school is the church at work at this task, and may be the invaluable co-worker with the home. And where there is no church and no adequate ideal in the home, the Sunday-school is all in all.

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The call for enlistment has wrought havoc with the rural communities of many of our Western states, and materially affected several of our missionary schools. The young men have gone and great numbers of the young women are training for Red Cross work. Others have been obliged to become wage earners to help financially in the upkeep of their homes. In the great fruit orchards of Oregon the young women have taken the men's places, harvesting the crop in the fall, and tending the thinning of the fruit in the spring and summer. This necessitates their scattering far into the valleys, so the attendance hardly justifies the upkeep of a Sunday-school and church.

All this must be rather discouraging to the missionary pastor, who, more than ever should have our earnest support and encouragement.

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CARRYING THE GOSPEL THROUGH THE SNOWDRIFTS

The great Northwest is a land of winter storms and blizzards. To be a Sunday School missionary through

DRIVING OVER A SNOWDRIFT

a North Dakota winter, for example, means being a physical hero. Here are a few excerpts from reports:

"With the exception of two Sundays I made my drive of twelve miles to E———— every week. Sometimes it was forty degrees below zero and I faced the stiff northwest wind. Because it has not been profitable for the families living outside of our village to come to church in the severe cold and over the drifted roads, I have called at the majority of the country homes once or twice during the last month. We hope that when Spring comes, the people who have had to be absent from church during the long cold winter will be able to start in again."

"Many of the plans for the winter work had to be abandoned because of the cold and storm, but the morning services at B——— have been well attended, and we have had good helpful meetings all through the winter. We have the only church in E—M—B— and R— excepting a Roman Catholic Church at B——— and we should take care of the entire field. I am confident that our denomination can bring the gospel message to these people as well and possibly better than can any other."

If we would shrink from driving over snowdrifts and from taking twenty-five mile trips, with the possibility of facing a blizzard, we can at

READY FOR A 25-MILE TRIP

least hold up the hands of the man who is willing to do it as our missionary.

ALL IN THE DAY'S WORK

The large Stady Parish, forty-one by twenty-five miles in area, consists of twelve different points, three of which are organized churches. When the missionary pastor starts out on his work for the Sunday, he makes a run by auto of over seventy miles before he finishes his work for that day. That means that he leaves home on Friday, preaches on Saturday night, then either three or four times on Sunday. On one trip our missionary left W——— on Saturday noon; autoed to M———, a distance of twenty-one miles, visited with two families and had supper. Then at a point ten miles farther on services were held and a Sunday-school organized. On Sunday morning services were held at M———, followed by Sunday-school. At three o'clock the same day, after a run of fifteen miles, more services preceded by Sunday-school were held at a point where, on the preceding Sunday, a church had been organized and a three thousand dollar building planned for out in the rural regions. At five o'clock a third service was held at a school-house five miles farther on, and at eight o'clock the fourth service of the day, ten miles beyond, completed the Sabbath's work.

Of necessity a missionary pastor cannot include all points in a parish on the same day, and therefore it takes a long time for the communities in a new part of the country to grow up and become organized into a Sunday-school. So a Sunday-school must often be a missionary work for some years. This wrk is in every sense of the word, however, a thoroughly worth-while project, and the day is sure to come when, if all goes well, these communities will grow into fine, self-supporting religious organizations.

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In the present international crisis while our armies are fighting to make the world safe for democracy, we must not forget to continue the spiritual battle to make democracy safe for the world. We realize that now more than ever before religion must be the very foundation of our lives and of our children's lives. At this critical period it is essential that our work move at accelerated rather than diminished speed.

There is an urgent need of more intensive work in the rural districts of the West, where at present there are not enough men to take care of the work already organized, to say nothing of organizing new work.

In the Okanogen field in Washington, for example, we have fourteen points that have been cared for by Congregational Home and Sunday School missionaries for the past ten or fifteen years. Twelve of these fields have depended wholly on Congregational ministry with no competition. There was one minister left in the county who has since resigned to take up War Work, and now there is no man in sight for this vast territory.

Pend Oreille county in the same state is another concrete example of the need for intensive work. We have practically the whole county. There are only two other church organizations in the county, one with no pastor. Everywhere there is a crying need for reopening church schools which have been closed for want of leaders, and for organizing new ones.

The Sunday-School should be one of the most important factors in the life of to-day, for in the Sunday-School is the making of our future citizens and warriors. The cause is a noble one, the Harvest will be great, so we pray that along with, and in spite of our contributions to war work some one may see the heroism of the Home Mission fields of the West and other communities. It will help to win the war and save the world.

THE CONGREGATIONAL BOARD OF MINISTERIAL RELIEF

Office: 287 Fourth Avenue, New York.
Henry A. Stimson, D.D., President; William A. Rice, D.D., Secretary; B. H. Fancher, Treasurer.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS

BOARD OF MINISTERIAL RELIEF

FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1916 AND 1917.

	Churches	Women's Societies	Sunday Schools Y.P.& C.E.S.	Associations & Conferences	Individuals	Income from Endowment	TOTAL
1916	$16,343.62	$2,611.53	$1,206.07	$1,074.90	$23,010.98	$15,804.95	$60,052.05
1917	17,487.14	3,258.98	1,578.27	938.17	16,069.00	39,594.26	78,916.82
Increase	$ 1,134.52	$ 647.45	$ 372.20			$23,789.31	$18,864.77
Decrease				$ 136.73	$ 6,941.98		

THE CHRISTMAS FUND

We promised the readers of THE AMERICAN MISSIONARY, that in this issue we would give the final report with reference to the Christmas Fund. In round numbers it amounts to $11,500. The Fund in 1916 was $8,151. That was the largest in its history. This year, however, it has been exceeded by $3,849. One who always contributes to the Christmas Fund, expressed the hope, in the midst of the present campaign, that we might get $15,000. We never indulged in that hope, in fact, during the first twenty days of December, we even thought we would not get the $10,000, but that fear did not last long, for the money came pouring in around Christmas Day, and continued even beyond the New Year.

About 315 families were made glad by the Christmas and New Year Checks. It is safe to say that every one of these families was in the greatest need of the extra money sent to them. Their letters are full of gratitude. We wish all the contributors to the Christmas Fund to know what a rich blessing they have had a part, in bestowing upon these dear old people. We wonder if they can realize the reward which must come to them through the prayers and benedictions of these servants of God, in their behalf.

We rejoice that so many of the givers to the Christmas Fund have taken the pains to say that they hoped to be able to give to a similar fund in 1918. Not a few of them have said, "As long as we live."

In behalf of the Board and of the pensioners, we extend our thanks to all the givers.

AN EXTRACT FROM THE FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE ANNUITY FUND

A Clergyman, now in his 88th year, who has been in the Congregational Ministry 61 years, a pensioner of the Board of Relief, wrote the Secretary last month as follows:

"I am living on less than $6 a week, economizing more closely than any day laborer in this town. If I were a young man, entering the ministry, I would certainly avail myself

of The Annuity Plan and thus provide for myself and mine in later years."

Other ministers, now too old to enter the Annuity Fund, have expressed their keen regret, that such a Denominational Agency, to provide against the needs of old age, was not in existence when they were beginning their ministry. I quote from one of these:

"I have been in the service two score years, 30 of them on the frontier, about half of them as a missionary. I regret that the Annuity Plan did not begin earlier. As a denomination we are behind in this thing. God bless you in your efforts is my prayer."

These brethren have gone directly to the heart of The Annuity Fund. It aims to provide for the old age, retirement and inactivity of our ministry, in a self respecting way, encouraging them to think of their future from the beginning of their ministry. This encouragement is practical co-operation on the part of the whole Denomination, to provide four-fifths of the cost, under the present plan, while the minister provides one-fifth. Under the expanded plan the local church is to be given the opportunity and is to be urged by the action of the National Council, and by the officers of the Fund—not by the Pastor—to co-operate with their pastor, whoever he may be, and with the Pilgrim Memorial Fund, in paying the annual percentage on the salary, into the Annuity Fund, which percentage will purchase the minister's annuity when he retires from active service.

The Denomination is taking hold of this subject of annuities with cordial approval and generous contributions. The National Council is behind it by unanimous and enthusiastic endorsement. Able men have given to it, and are still giving to it, their best thought and industrious assistance.

This is forcibly illustrated by the action of the Council at Columbus. That action was taken on the recommendation of the Commission on Missions. It was not a recommendation made without careful consideration. It was, instead, the result of patient and thorough investigation on the part of those who were especially qualified to understand the technicalities involved. For example, one was a member of the Carnegie Pension Board, another a trained Actuary, others successful business laymen, and still others, distinguished pastors, of unusual executive experience and honorable accomplishment. Much time and discussion had been given to the whole subject, in which the Trustees of The Annuity Board and the Directors of The Board of Ministerial Relief, and their executive officers, had participated.

But, why this specially active investigation and re-study of the whole subject, three years after the Annuity Fund had been adopted, put in force, and secured over 400 members?

The answer is to be found in the fact that The Commission on Missions, had decided to recommend to the National Council, a Pilgrim Memorial Fund of Five Million Dollars, "as a perpetual endowment, whose proceeds shall be used to provide annuities for Congregational Ministers, under the control of The Board of Trustees of The Annuity Fund for Congregational Ministers." It was necessary to assure themselves and the denomination, that the Annuity Plan was the best that could be devised—that because it was being established for the coming years, it must be comprehensive and adequate.

This re-study of the whole subject led to a reaffirmation of the soundness of the fundamental principles of the present Annuity Plan and provided for its expansion in scope, application and resources. Hence the action at Columbus. The present plan will remain in force to December 31, 1921. Beginning January 1,

1922, the expanded plan will become operative and all new certificates will be issued under it. The members under the present plan can remain under it, or transfer to the new one, as they may decide. Their interests will be fully conserved. Their participation in the income of the Pilgrim Memorial Fund will be equal to that of the members under the expanded plan.

Let none of us think that the last word has been said on annuities, or on the care of the aged ministers. Congregationalists never tie their hands, nor put their brains in a state of torpor, against new methods, light, or knowledge.

Growth indicates life. For example, under the present plan the **maximum** annuity is $500, under the expanded plan the minimum annuity is $500.

Under the present plan no provision is made, except through the general denominational fund, for a regular and fixed participation of the local church in providing the annuity. But, under the expanded plan, it is proposed to awaken the interest of the local church, so that it will provide its part of the annual percentage necessary, just as it provides his salary or the manse. In fact, to make this expense a part of the Churches annual budget.

Under the present plan, a minister cannot enter if he has passed a certain age limit. Under the new plan a minister, or a minister and his Church, and always with the help of the income of the Pilgrim Memorial Fund, can begin at any age to provide a sum of money to purchase for him, or for his widow, an annuity, to begin at such future date as may be selected.

Of course, the amount of the annuity will depend upon the amount of money to the credit of the minister, when the annuity period has arrived.

All annuities, under either plan, will be based upon sound actuarial knowledge and experience. Neither plan attempts to provide any thing outside of actuarial rules.

When the situation of any minister or minister's widow, requires a provision beyond annuity possibilities, that provision must be made by the Board of Ministerial Relief, or from other sources.

The time will never come when the Board of Ministerial Relief will not be needed. There will always be those who cannot be provided for by The Annuity Plan. Not because of any weakness in that plan, but because for one reason or another, the minister or his Church, or the denomination, did not put up the money for a sufficient period of anticipation, to purchase an adequate annuity when it was needed.

FREDERICK A. NOBLE, D. D.

In the death of Dr. Frederick A. Noble, at Evanston, Illinois, on the last day of 1917, the cause of Ministerial Relief lost a staunch and able friend. More than likely, the last letter which Dr. Noble wrote, was to the Treasurer of the Board of Ministerial Relief. It was dated December 21st, 1917, and contained a gift for the Christmas Fund. Dr. Noble wrote:

"If you are familiar with the records of our Ministerial Relief work, you will see that I have had something to do with this business at an earlier date. I rejoice with exceeding great, sincere joy, over the success of this branch of denominational work."

I shall never forget the enthusiastic joy of Dr. Noble, when I told him in Chicago, a few years ago, of the fact that we had received an anonymous gift of $50,000. He is one of the few men still left, who was associated with Dr. Stimson in the organization of the National work of Ministerial Relief.

THE CONGREGATIONAL WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY FEDERATION

President, Mrs. Hastings H. Hart, 7 Colden Avenue, White Plains, N. Y.; Vice-President-at-large, Mrs. A. H. Standish, 403 N. Grove Ave., Oak Park, Ill.; Vice-President of the East, Mrs. Charles C. Elwell, 71 College St., New Haven, Conn.; Vice-President of the Middle District, Mrs. G. A. Southall, 810 S. McClure St., Marion, Indiana; Vice-President of the West, Mrs. George Robertson, 256 Alvarado St., Redlands, Cal.; Recording Secretary, Mrs. A. K. Wing, 857 E. 18th St., Brooklyn, N. Y.; Treasurer, Mrs. Harry E. Smith, 105 Mamaroneck Ave., White Plains, N. Y.; Assistant Treasurer, Mrs. Rockwell H. Potter, 412 Washington St., Hartford, Conn.; General Secretary, Miss Edith Scamman, 289 Fourth Ave., New York City.

KAYOPHA

Secret societies are always delightfully mysterious, at once tantalizing to the curiosity and stimulating to the imagination. Something of this was felt at the Summer School of Home Missions at Northfield last summer, when groups of girls were seen hurrying across the campus, wearing mysterious looking badges, each decorated with a large white K. When questioned, however, the mystery vanished, for they proclaimed themselves members of Camp Kayopha, the camp which was the headquarters for our Congregational girls at the conference, and the center for one joyous week of many happy hours of work and play. Here were enrolled thirty-four girls, old and young. Here, under our camp tree, we practiced our songs and cheers, here we joined in the loving fellowship of camp prayers, and from here we went each morning and evening to Bible class, Mission Study class and Auditorium meeting, or sallied forth each afternoon to some enjoyable good time. Here in the jolly intimacy of tent life were formed lasting friendships, that now express themselves in the welcome flight of a Round Robin, telling how each is trying to bring to those at home the inspiration which Northfield brought to her. Soon Kayopha's magic circle will be formed again. Are there not many of our young women eager to have a part in it? Will you not be one? We hope so.

TOPIC FOR MARCH, 1918

LEADERS FOR THE JOURNEY

Congregational Education Society

Hymn—(Tune Dundee)

Oh, God of Bethel, by whose hand
Thy people still are fed,
Who through this weary pilgrimage
Hast all our fathers led.

Our vows, our prayers, we now present
Before Thy throne of grace;
God of our fathers, be the God
Of their succeeding race.

Through each perplexing path of life
Our wandering footsteps guide;
Give us each day our daily bread,
And raiment fit provide.

Such blessings from Thy gracious hand
Our humble prayers implore,
And Thou shalt be our chosen God
And portion evermore.

Scripture—Joshua 1:1-11

Prayer.

Hymn—(Tune—Festal Song)

Come, brothers, let us go;
Our Father is our guide,
And when the way grows steep and dark,
He journeys at our side.

Come, brothers, let us go;
We travel hand in hand,
Each in his brother finds his joy
In this wild stranger land.

The strong be quick to raise
The weaker when they fall;
Let love, and peace, and patience bloom
In ready help for all.

I. **Present-day "Pilgrims and Sojourners" along the "Pilgrim's Way"**
   a. Descendants of the Pilgrim Fathers
   b. Comrades from Lands across the Sea.
   "Oh my God, whose love followeth all Thy pilgrims and strangers,
   I praise Thee for the comfort of comrades on a distant road."
   c. Their Standard:—The Tercentenary Program.

II. **A Call for Leaders**
   a. The Year 1918:—A Crisis Period in our National Life.
   Read:—
   "God give us men! A time like this demands
   Strong minds, great hearts, true faith, and ready hands.
   Men whom the lust of office does not kill;
   Men whom the spoils of office cannot buy;
   Men who possess opinions and a will;
   Men who have honor, and who will not lie;
   Men who can stand before a demagogue
   And scorn his treacherous flatteries without winking.
   Tall men, sun-crowned, who live above the fog
   In public duty and in private thinking."
   b. The Year 1918:—A Crisis in our Denominational Life.
   "Wanted Young Men and Young Women." C. E. S. Leaflet.

III. **C. E. S. Training Camps for Leaders.**
   a. Among English-speaking Pilgrims.
      1. Our Academies.
      2. Our Colleges.
      3. Our Training Schools.
   b. Among Comrades from Lands across the Sea.
      1. Foreign Institutes.
      2. Schauffler Missionary Training School.
   c. The Social Service Commission—Our Denominational "Red Cross"

Hymn—"America, the Beautiful."

Closing Prayer—"Send us forth with the pathfinders of humanity to lead Thy people another day's march toward the land of promise."

Material for the above topics may be had by applying at headquarters of the Congregational Education Society, 14 Beacon Street, Boston, Mass.

Have you a Mission Band in your church? Have you asked the leader to consider the Junior text-book, Bearers of the Torch? Many interesting, instructive programs can be based upon it. As a help for leaders, Miss Applegarth has prepared the most attractive cut-outs, to be used with the text-book. Order them through the Federation office. 10 cents a set.

A dramatic presentation of ideas and suggestions contained in both the text-books, Missionary Milestones, and Bearers of the Torch, has been prepared. This may be given in the form of a pageant, a pantomine, or a series of tableaux. Young people love to act. Give them this worth-while material and let them act! Order from the Federation office. 15 cents per copy.

A Pilgrim Alphabet: Being a vivid Portrayal of certain Conditions and Episodes in ye History of our valiant Forebears. Transcribed in Motion-Picture Verse!

This is a bright series of rhymes, cleverly illustrated, with suggestions for other "Pilgrim Alphabets." It may be used to enliven a study-class, a missionary luncheon, or an evening at home. It is appropriate for Tercentenary programs. Order through the Federation office. Price, 10 cents.

Let us recommend once more the two books, "The Friar of Wittenberg" and "The Schönberg-Cotta Family," for use with the text-books. These are both readable, interesting books which will appeal to young and old alike; they give an accurate picture of the life of the times, and will make clear the greatness of Luther's contribution to the life of the world.

Our leaders in missionary and religious work know well the value of the young life in our churches. That our Unions know this too is shown by that fact that only nine out of our thirty-four Unions have no Secretary for Young People. We feel that our new Secretary of Missionary Education, Dr. Miles Fisher, will give us help all along the line. We shall look to him for a program in which every auxiliary and young people's society and Mission Band will find suggestions and guidance.

Have you seen the pamphlet entitled, "Women's Organizations in Congregational Churches"? This has been prepared by a committee of the National Council, in conference with committees of the Woman's Boards and the Federation. It is a study of methods and types of organizations which may be used in the local church. Order from the Federation office. Price 10 cents.

In connection with our text-book, "Missionary Milestones," we send to leaders of study-classes the following paragraphs from an article written by Mrs. Seeback, the author of the book. This article appeared in **Lutheran Church Work and Observer:**

"A great many people can't see that the Reformation had anything to do with Missions. They say the leaders had nothing definite to say about missions and that the modern missionary impulse is quite apart from the Reformation period and the manner of thought.

The connecting link is found in the 'Open Bible.' Suppose Luther had not reopened the gospel to the souls of men —had not restored to them the open Bible. What would we have to give the world if we didn't have the Book?

The Bible in the language of the people! Of all people! Of every land on earth! This is the real meaning of the Reformation. This is why you and I have something today to offer the needy world."

In order to further more systematic use of these books, it is suggested that Reading Contests be organized under the supervision of the Secretary of Literature in each state, and that every auxiliary be urged to enter the Contest. All of its auxiliaries reporting fifty per cent of its members having read last year's book—Old Spain in New America—and this year's book—Missionary Milestones—are to receive honorable mention. The auxiliary reporting the highest per cent will receive first honor. Credit will be given all for the supplementary reading.

Will not your auxiliary enter the Contest?

MISSIONARY SHOWERS

By Miss Vida Leamer, Wakefield, Neb., Superintendent of Missions, Nebraska Christian Endeavor Union

Missionary showers are showers of love which bring sunshine and gladness. Just as showers of rain refresh the flowers in the spring, showers of gifts from Junior Endeavor Societies at holiday time will gladden the heart of the missionary and the children under his care.

A Handkerchief Shower

One year, before the holiday rush began, a bunch of Juniors had a shower of handkerchiefs to be sent to the Indian children on the Omaha Reservation for their Christmas tree (the missionary and his wife found one for each of them in the bundle too). The invitations to the shower read like this:

Bring a handkerchief or two,
Borders may be red or blue;
Indian children like to see
Useful things upon their tree.

As the children arrived they were asked to put their handkerchiefs in a big canoe which had been made for the occasion. When all were in they were counted and put away ready to be sent on their mission. Indian games were then played and there was popcorn for refreshments.

Each child was given a paper canoe to take home and the good time closed with a "pow-pow." For this the children sat in a circle. Then one of them told part of a story about Indians and pointed to some one in the circle to act it out. After this another child took up the story and chose an actor, and so on until all had taken part. If there should be an odd number the last child could give an Indian dance or imitate Indian music.

A Hospital Shower

The same bunch of Juniors had a hospital shower also for the Indian work. For this the invitations read:

Now the people of the village,
In these days of Christian teaching,
Builded for their red-skin brothers
Such a building as was called for
When on beds of sickness, lying,
Suffering, they needed treatment
In the land where Gray Hawk prospers.

In this dwelling cloth is needed;
Linen, old and clean, in pieces,
To be used in sterilizing.
Washcloths, too, for better cleansing.
These the Juniors may bring hither
To the church on Monday evening
When the day of school is ended.

From these simple invitations the mothers knew just what we wanted. At the shower on the appointed evening the children pinned the wash-cloths on a line and dropped the old linen in a basket. Two little girls whose father is a physician brought some rolls of bandages. The story of how the hospital was built was told by the superintendent and illustrated by pictures and there were other short stories of hospitals over the seas and how sick people who worshipped other gods, were helped to believe in Jesus. Then games were played and the children went home happy because they had helped.

A doll shower is fine and so is a postcard shower. Cards already used can be pasted together and sent to some mission station.

And do remember the missionary with a box of narcissus bulbs. They need so little care and the blossoms come so soon to brighten the home and bring thoughts of those who sent them.

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ACKNOWLEDGMENTS OF RECEIPTS

The American Missionary Association

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Receipts for December, 1917

The Daniel Hand Educational Fund for Colored People

Income for December from Investments	$ 6,482.50
Previously acknowledged	10,611.28
	$17,093.78

Current Receipts

EASTERN DISTRICT.

MAINE—$233.23.

Auburn: Sixth St. Ch., 3.70. **Brooks:** Ch., 4.50. **Deer Isle:** First Ch., 7. **Dennysville:** Ch., 7. **Dexter:** C. E. Soc., for Support of Nurse at Humacao Hospital, Porto Rico, 5. **Gardiner:** Ch., 9. **Garland:** Ch., 3. **Hallowell:** Ch., 10. **Kennebunkport:** South Ch., 4.35. **Millinocket:** First Ch., 7. **Minot Center:** Ch., Ladies, 20. **North Bridgton:** Ch., 11.35. **North Waterford:** Ch., 5.50. **Patten:** Ch., 2.50. **Perry:** Ch., 5. **Portland:** Woodfords Ch., bbl. goods for Athens, Ala. **So. Berwick:** Mrs. H. B. S., for Oriental Missions, 30. **South Surry:** "Friends," for Thomasville, Ga., 8. **Thomaston:** First Ch., 4. **Woolwich:** Ch., 2.80. **York Village:** First Ch., 1.94.

Woman's Home Missionary Union of Maine: Mrs. C. E. Leach, Treasurer. **Bath:** Central, 3.75. **Bingham:** 1.70. **Brewer:** 9.55. **Dennysville:** 5. **Greenville:** 10. **Hallowell:** L. L. Club, 1.25. **Island Falls:** 6. **Jackman:** 2.25. **Lewiston:** Pine St., Lookout M. B., 1; Little Gleaners, 1. **North Bridgton:** 3.40. **No. Yarmouth:** Walnut Hill, 1.70. **Portland:** State St., 20.60. **Saco:** 5. **So. Portland:** First Bethany, 5; S. S., 1.90. **Westbrook:** 2.49. Total, 81.59.

NEW HAMPSHIRE—$633.82.

Alton: Ch., 3.50. **Andover:** Ch., 4c. **Greenfield:** Ch., 9. **Hanover Centre:** Ch., 3.06. **Henniker:** Ch., 33. **Keene:** Court Street Ch., 51. **Lancaster:** Ladies' Mission Circle, bbl. goods for Kings Mountain, N. C. **Manchester:** First Ch., 198; Franklin Street Ch., 90. **Milford:** First Ch., 48.56. **Nashua:** Pilgrim Ch., 37.39. **Newington:** Ch., 4.95. **Newport:** Ch., 74. **North Barnstead:** Ch., 5. **Plaistow and North Parish, Haverhill, Mass.:** Evan. Ch., 17.82. **Salem:** Ch., 8.90. **Warner:** Mrs. G. A. Foss' S. S. Class, for Talladega College, 8. **Wolfeboro:** First Ch., 41.60.

VERMONT—$344.04.

Barre: Woman's Assoc., of Cong'l Ch., for McIntosh, Ga., 10. **Barton:** Ch., 13.68. **Bethel:** First Ch., 4.15. **Chelsea:** Ch., 7.52. **Cornwall:** Ch., 3. **East Berkshire:** Ch., 20.75. **East Hardwick:** Ch., 17.33. **Fair Haven:** W. M. Soc., for support of Nurse at Humacao Hospital, Porto Rico, 6. **Hardwick:** Ch., 4. **Manchester:** Ch., 99.08; W. H. M. Soc., for McIntosh, Ga., 10. **Middletown Springs:** Ch., 14. **Milton:** Ch., 14.61; Woman's Soc., bbl. goods for McIntosh, Ga. **Sheldon:** Ch., 2.25. **St. Albans:** First Ch., 15.50. **St. Johnsbury:** "Friends," three boxes goods for McIntosh, Ga. **Townshend:** Ch., 16.50. **Waitsfield:** W. M. Soc., bbl. goods for McIntosh, Ga. **Westfield:** Ch., 7.24. **West Hartford:** Ch., 4.60. **Weybridge:** First Ch., 15.56. **Wilder:** First Ch., 15.27. **Williamstown:** Ch., 18. **Williston:** Ch., 5. **Windsor:** Old South Ch., 20.

MASSACHUSETTS—$9,453.64.

(Donations 5,707.25, Legacies 3,746.39)

Amesbury: Main St. Ch., 5.98; Union Ch., 5.59; Miss M. S., package goods for Marion, Ala. **Amherst:** North Ch., 40; A. P. L., 1. **Auburndale:** Ch., 157.65; S. S., 10; Miss C. E. F., 4.30 and bbl. goods for Marion, Ala. **Baldwinville:** Memorial Ch., S. S., 10. **Becket:** First Ch., 3. **Belmont:** Plymouth Ch., 11.86. **Berlin:** First Ch., 15. **Beverly:** Washington St. S. S., 10. **Billerica:** Ladies' Social Circle of Orthodox Cong. Ch., for Moorhead, Miss., 1.32. **Blackstone:** Ch., 6. **Boston:** Central Ch., 240; Park Street Ch., 101.13; A. C. B., for S. A., at Grand View, Tenn., 50. **Dorchester:** Pilgrim Ch., 60; Village Ch., 19; Village S. S., 10. **Jamaica Plain:** Central Ch., 50; Boylston Ch., 7. **Roxbury:** Immanuel, Walnut Ave. Ch., 10. **Brockton:** Porter Ch., 87.50. **Cambridge:** First Ch., 260; Wood Memorial Ch., 3.95. **Cambridgeport:** First Evan. Ch., 10.90. **Campello:** South Ch., 110. **Chelmsford:** Central Ch., 26. **Chicopee Falls:** Second Ch., 13.28. **Clinton:** German Ch., 5. **Cotuit:** Ch., 2. **Dedham:** Allin C. E. Soc., 15. **Deerfield:** Ch., 8.75. **Douglass:** Ch., 3. **Dracut:** First Ch., 3. **Duxbury:** Pilgrim Ch., 7. **East Bridgewater:** C. E. Soc., 1. **Easthampton:** First Ch., 13.70. **Edgartown:** Ch., 2. **Enfield:** Ch., 31.20. **Fall River:** French Ch., 3. **Feeding Hills:** Ch., 10. **Fitchburg:** Calvinistic Ch., 26.79; Rollstone Ch., 47.06. **Florence:** Ch., 14.75. **Gardner:** First Ch., 169.82. **Grafton:** Evan. Ch., 11.07. **Granville Centre:** First Ch., 5. **Greenfield:** First Ch., 17.05. **Groton:** Union Ch., 6. **Hamilton:** Ch., 11. **Haverhill:** First Ch. of Christ, 25; West Ch. S. S., 12.05. **Haydenville:** Ch., 3.23. **Hinsdale:** First Ch., 16.69. **Holyoke:** First Ch., 49.75; Grace Ch., 22. **Hopkinton:** Ch., 43.62. **Hyannis:** First Ch., 4.36. **Lancaster:** Evan. Ch., 23.93. **Lee:** Ch., 69.73; S. S., 75. **Leicester:** S. S., 5. **Lowell:** Highland Ch., 5; Pawtucket Ch., 40.25. **Lynnfield Center:** Center Ch., 8.55. **Malden:** First Ch., 35.85. **Marlboro:** C. E. Soc., for support of Nurse at Humacao Hospital, Porto Rico, 5. **Marshfield Hills:** Second Trin. Ch., 5. **Middleboro:** North Ch., 6.23. **Monson:** Ch., 106.80. **Neponset:** Trinity Ch., 15. **New Bedford:** Trin. Ch., Mission Guild, for Bountiful, Utah, 25. **New Boston:** Ch., 2.50. **Newbury:** Byfield Ch., 4.42. **Newburyport:** Belleville Ch., 9.45. **Newton:** Central Ch., 95; North Ch., 10; Highland Ch., 140.66; Second Ch., 258. **North Adams:** Ch., 60; also bbl. goods for Athens, Ala. **Northboro:** Evan. Ch., 4.80. **Northbridge:** Ch., C. E. Soc., for Nurse at Hospital at Humacao, Porto Rico, 5. **North Cambridge:** Ch., 34.64. **North Hadley:** Second Ch., 20. **Northampton:** Edwards Ch., H. M. S., for Wilmington, N. C., 10; Mrs. M. H. W., two bbls. goods for Wilmington, N. C. **North Rochester:** Ch., 10. **North Wilbra-**

ham: Grace Union Ch., 12.40. **Norwood:** Ch., 24. **Orange:** Central Ch., 29.26. **Orleans:** Ch., 12.72. **Oxford:** First S. S., 5; L. M. Soc., 2.33 and bbl. goods for Moorhead, Miss. **Peru:** Ch., 1.50. **Pepperell:** Ch., 25.41. **Pittsfield:** First Ch. of Christ, for Indian and Negro work, 247. **Quincy:** Washington St. Ch., 6. **Revere:** First Ch., 10. **Rowley:** First Ch., 16. **Royalston:** First Ch., 7.70; C. E. Soc., for Hospital at Humacao, Porto Rico, 5. **Salem:** Tabernacle Ch., 137.25. **Saugus:** First Ch., 2.56. **Sharon:** First Ch., 9.68. **Shelburne:** First Ch., 36.80. **Shrewsbury:** C. E. Soc., for support of Nurse at Humacao Hospital, Porto Rico, 10. **Somerset:** Ch., 3.90. **Somerville:** Prospect Hill Ch., 20. **Southampton:** Ch., 30. **Springfield:** Faith Ch., 85; North Ch., 15. **Sterling:** First Evan. Ch., 10. **Sunderland:** First Ch., 17. **Taunton:** East Ch., 3.41; Trin. Ch., 35.75. **Templeton:** Ch., 8. **Turners Falls:** First Ch., 11. **Waban:** Union Ch., 31.10. **Ware:** First Ch., 121.59. **Warren:** Ch., box goods for McIntosh, Ga. **Wayland:** Ch., 6. **Webster:** Miss A. P., bbl. goods for Marion, Ala. **Wellesley:** Ch., 52.78. **Wendell:** Ch., 40c. **Westfield:** First Ch., 101.57. **Westford:** Union Ch., 26.32. **West Medford:** Ch., 36.97. **Westminster:** First Ch., 6.65; Woman's Soc., 3. **West Springfield:** First Ch., 5. **Winthrop:** Union Ch., 35. **Whitinsville:** Village Ch. additional, by a member, 10. **Winchester:** First Ch., 440; North Ch. S. S., for Marion, Ala., box goods. **Worcester:** Bethany Ch. Missionary Soc., 6.50 Park Ch., 11.44; Plymouth Ch., 179.43; Union Ch., 20.20. **E. P. S.:** 5.

Woman's Home Missionary Association of Mass. and R. I.: Mrs. Amos Lawrence Hatheway, Treasurer. **Andover and Woburn Alliance:** for Fisk University, 12.50. **Lowell:** First Trin. Ch. S. S., for Humacao Hospital, Porto Rico, 1.50. **W. H. M. A.:** for salaries, 754. Total, $768.

Note: Total Donations for Mass., $5,727.78; less amount refunded to Bernardston, Goodale Ch., $20.53; Net Donations, $5,707.25.

Legacies.

Ashfield: Estate of Henry Taylor, 1,500 (Reserve Legacy 1,000), 500. **Boston:** Andrew Cushing, 1,814.02. **Newton:** Alvah A. Sweet, 872.37. **Salem:** Estate of Mary N. Cleaveland, by E. L. Woodbury, Exec., 500. **Watertown:** Estate of Jeanette T. Kimball, 180 (Reserve Legacy 120), 60.

RHODE ISLAND—$192.35.

Barrington: Ch., 54.18. **Bliss 4 Corners:** Ch., 2.36. **Bristol:** First Ch., 44.35. **Chepachet:** Ch., 10. **Providence:** C. W. B., for Tougaloo College, 5; H. J. W., for Tougaloo College, 30; Social Service League, for Saluda Seminary, 25. **Riverside:** Ch., 5.48. **Wood River Junction:** Ch., 1. **Woonsocket:** Globe Ch., 14.98.

CENTRAL DISTRICT.

CONNECTICUT—$4,062.71.

(Donations 3,062.71, Legacy 1,000.00)

Berlin: Second Ch., 44.40. **Bethlehem:** Ch., 5.60. **Bridgeport:** Black Rock Ch., 36.50; Olivet Ch., 50; Park St. S. S., 11.92. **Cheshire:** Ch., 25.32. **Cornwall:** Second Ch., 31.10; L. M. Soc., bbl. goods for Marion, Ala. **Derby:** W. S. B., 1. **Eastford:** Ch., 3.74. **East Hartford:** First Ch., 58.68. **Essex:** First Ch. of Christ, 8.03. **Greenwich:** Second Ch., 100. **Griswold:** First Ch., 12. **Groton:** Ch., 15. **Haddam:** Ch., 13. **Hartford:** Fourth Ch., 114.12; Second Ch. of Christ, 73.10. **Kent:** S. S., 2. **Killingly:** Second Ch., 4. **Lakeville:** Mrs. N., for Athens, Ala., 5; Mrs. T. L. N., bbl. goods for Athens, Ala. **Lebanon:** First Ch., 11.09. **Ledyard:** Ch., 7. **Litchfield:** S. S., 15; S. S., for Piedmont College, 25. **Manchester:** Second Ch., 64.83. **Mansfield:** Second Ch., 15. **Meriden:** S. S., 19.63. **Middletown:** First Ch., 18.61; Mrs. M. A. H. B., for Thomasville, Ga., 18. **Monroe:** Ch., 3. **Mt. Carmel:** Ch., 34.40. **Montville:** Centre Ch., for Athens, Ala., 3.31. **Morris:** Ch., 2.50. **Naugatuck:** H. A. D., for Tougaloo College, 1. **New Canaan:** Ch., 53.45; S. S., for Santa Fe, New Mexico, 25. **New Haven:** Dwight Place Ch., 186.99; Pilgrim Ch., 100; Prof. H. B. F., for Oriental Missions, 25. **New London:** First Ch., for Athens, Ala., 25 and two bbls. goods; First Ch. S. S., for Athens, Ala., 25; C. P. C., cards for Athens, Ala.; M. J. T., cards for Athens, Ala. **Newton:** Ch., 49.25. **North Stonington:** Ch., 27. **North Woodbury:** North Ch., 9. **Norwalk:** First Ch., 22.26. **Norwich:** Greenville Ch., 5; Men's Class, for Chandler School, 10; Mrs. H. H. O., for Hospital, Talladega, Ala., 50; H. T. A., 2. **Norwichtown:** Ever-Ready King's Daughters, box goods for Athens, Ala. **Plainfield:** First Ch., 5. **Pomfret:** First Ch., 15.59. **Portland:** First Ch., 18.88. **Preston:** Ch., 29.50. **Redding:** Ch., 13.86. **Ridgefield:** First Ch., 33. **Rockville:** Union Ch., 134.25; Bible School, 52.75. **Somers:** Ch., 19.49. **South Manchester:** Center Ch., 104. **Stafford Springs:** Ch., 72.02. **Stamford:** First Ch., 20. **Stonington:** First Ch., 30. **Terryville:** Ch., for Tougaloo College, 21.08. **Waterbury:** Second Ch., S. S., 23.03. **West Hartford:** The First Ch. of Christ, 51.17. **Wethersfield:** Ch., 46.15. **Whitneyville:** Ch., 38.31. **Willimantic:** Mrs. J. C. R., 450 (50 of which for Talladega College). **Woodbridge:** Ch., 8.80.

Woman's Cong'l Home Missionary Union of Conn.: Mrs. George Dahl, Treas. **Fairfield:** 10. **Hartford:** First, 80; South Ch., for Thorsby Inst., 25. **Ivoryton:** 20. **Madison:** 10. **Middlefield:** 3. **New Haven:** Plymouth, 30; Redeemer, 50; United, 25. **Norwalk:** First, 10. **Orange:** 24, also, for Thorsby Institute, Thorsby, Ala., 7. **South Windsor:** First, 17. **Wallingford:** 75. **West Hartford:** 10. **Woodstock:** 12. **Total,** 408.

Legacy.

Talcottville: Estate of Horace Gardner Talcott, by Morris H. Talcott, Exec., 1,000.00.

NEW YORK—$3,755.46.

Baiting Hollow: Ch., 27.50. **Binghamton:** First Ch., 144.59; E. Sunday Sch., Aloha Class, 5. **Brooklyn:** Bushwick Ave. Ch., C. E. Soc., for support of Nurse, Humacao Hospital, Porto Rico, 5; Clinton Ave. Ch., 1,000; Clinton Ave. Ch., "Friends," for Marion, Ala., 75; Finnish Ch., 2.21; Manhattan Terrace Ch., 3; Ch. of the Pilgrims, 66.58; St. Mark's Cong'l Ch., 14.68. **Canandaigua:** Miss'y Soc., bbl. goods for Kings Mountain, N. C. **Candor:** Ch., 3.10. **Chautauqua:** Miss E. M. H., for Thomasville, Ga., 8. **Churchville:** Union Ch., 10.56. **Cornwall-on-Hudson:** Miss S., for Thomasville, Ga., 44. **East Rockaway:** Bethany Ch., 16. **Fairport:** Primary S. S., box goods for Marion, Ala.; Forest Avenue Ch., 10. **Great Neck:** Miss A. C. B., 80c; Master E. C. B., 1.33, for Black Lodge School, Crow Agency, Mont. **Groton City:** Ch., 9. **Hamilton:** L. M. S., bbl. goods for Marion, Ala. **Henrietta:** Union Ch., 35. **Homer:** Ch., 25; S. S., 10. **Hornby:** Ch., 2. **Irondequoit:** United Ch., 13. **Ithaca:** First Ch., 19.15; First Ch. S. S., 33.36. **Kiantone:** Ch., 3.79. **Lake View:** Ch., 5.20. **Lebanon:** Ch., 8.19. **Lockport:** First Ch., 55.25. **Jamestown:** First Ch., 40; Pilgrim Memorial Ch., 5.75. **Wading River:** Ch., 10. **Woodhaven:** Christ Ch., 3. **Tuckahoe:** Union Ch., 10. **Schroon Lake:** Ch., 7.80. **Sherburne:** Mrs. J. D., box goods for Marion, Ala. **Syracuse:** Geddes Ch., 11.50; Pilgrim Ch., 11.96. **Rand & McNally:** books, for Joppa, Ala. **Richmond Hill:** Union Ch., 20. **Phoenix:** Ch., 32.96 **Pierrepont Manor:** S. S., for Saluda Seminary, 2.30. **Poughkeepsie:** First Ch., 38. **Ontario:** Immanuel Ch.,

9. **Orient:** Ch., 30. **Orwell:** Ch., 1; S. S., 2. **Oswego:** Ch., 6.16. **Newburgh:** Ch., 36.64. **New Village:** Ch., 2.91. **New York:** Bedford Park Ch. C. E. Soc., 7.10 (5 of which for Humacao Hospital, Porto Rico); Christ Cong'l Ch., 18.19; S. S., 10; "A Friend," for Hospital Furnishings, Humacao, Porto Rico, 100. **North Guilford:** Ch., 2.86. **Norwood:** Ch., 2.71. **Mt. Vernon:** Heights Ch., 14.

Woman's Home Missionary Union of New York: Mrs. W. A. Kirkwood, Treasurer. **Angola:** W. M., 5. **Aquebogue:** L. S., for work in New Mexico, 20. **Bridgewater:** W. M., 4. **Brooklyn:** Central, L. B., for San M., 50; Flatbush, L. U., 27; Ocean Ave., W. L., 10; Park, M. S., 26.03; Ch. of the Pilgrims for S. A. at Fisk University, 50; Puritan, W. M., for S. A. Fisk U., 10; Puritan, D. of C., for S. A. at Fisk University, 10; Tompkins Ave. W. U. for "Marion I. Romer Room" at Grand View, Tenn., 25; Unknown Friend in Brooklyn, for Fire Escape, etc., at Marion, Ala., 1,000. **Buffalo:** First, W. G., 70. **Copenhagen:** W. U., 1.50. **Canandaigua:** W. H. M., for S. A. at Fisk University, 50. **Chenango Forks:** W. A., 4. **Cincinnatus:** W. M., 5.30. **Corning:** M. S., for support of Nurse at Humacao Hospital, Porto Rico, 10. **Gaines:** M. U., 3. **Gasport:** W. M., for Marion, Ala., 13. **Honeoye:** L. M., 2. **Jamestown:** First, W. M., 17. **Lockport:** East Ave., W. M., 5. **Middletown:** North St. S. S., 4. **Mt. Vernon:** First, W. M., for Grand View, 5. **New Haven:** Mrs. Lyon's Class, 1. **New York:** Broadway Tabernacle S. W. W., 15.50. **Poughkeepsie:** W. M., for Pillows for Hospital at Humacao Hospital, P. R., 10. **Richmond Hill:** W. M., for Scholarship Fisk U., 10. **Riverhead:** Sound Ave. C. E., 1.50. **Rutland:** W. M. 5. **Sherrill:** C. E. Soc., for support of Nurse at Humacao Hospital, Porto Rico, 5. **Sidney:** Ch., 5. **Smyrna:** W. M., 2. **Syracuse:** Danforth, L. U., 5. **Utica:** Bethesda, W. M., 15. **West Carthage:** W. M., 4; M. S., 1.50. **West Winfield:** L. A., 6. **White Plains:** M. S., 100 (50 of which for support of Nurse at Humacao Hospital, Porto Rico). **"Forward,"** birthday gift for Miss Phillips' work, 50. Total, 1,663.33.

NEW JERSEY—$805.23.

Cranford: Mrs. I. W., for Gloucester School, 1; Mrs. L. E. J., for Gloucester School, 1. **East Orange:** First Ch., 67.45; Trinity Ch., 73.85. **Jersey City:** Waverly Ch., 12. **Miss C. S. H.:** for Tougaloo College, 5. **Montclair:** First Ch., 160; Mrs. A. P. for Gloucester School, 5; Watchung Ave. Ch., 25; Watchung Ave. Ch., 26.85. **Nutley:** Saluda Circle, for Saluda Seminary, 9.10; St. Paul's Ch., 55. **Plainfield:** Ch., 120; Miss McL., for Gloucester Sch., 1. **Rutherford:** Ch., 18.90. **South Orange:** R. H. T., for S. A., at Talladega College, 25. **Vineland:** Ch., 10. **Westfield:** Ch. of Christ, 102.08.

Woman's Home Missionary Union of the New Jersey Conference: Mrs. Willard E. Buell, Treasurer. **Plainfield:** Aux., for Rio Grande Industrial School, 75; Young Woman's Missionary Soc., for Heating Plant, Cappahosic, Va., 12. Total, $87.

PENNSYLVANIA—$276.20.

Braddock: Slovak Ch., 7. **Clifford:** Ch., 7. **Duquesne:** Beth. Slovak Ch., 26. **Ebensburg:** First Ch., 52.76. **Kensington:** Ch., 10. **Mahanoy City:** Bethel Ch., 2. **Philadelphia:** Central Ch., 40. **Pittsburgh:** First Ch., 16; Puritan Ch., S. S., 8. **Pittston:** Welsh Ch., 5.94. **Ridgeway:** Mrs. C. W. W., 5. **Scranton:** Puritan Ch., 12. **Spring Creek:** Ch., 8. **Taylor:** First Ch., 6.50.

Pennsylvania Union of Cong'l Women's Missionary Societies: by Mrs. David Howells, Treasurer. **Kane:** W. M. S., for Children of Alaska, 5. **Meadville:** W. M. S., 15. **Philadelphia:** Park Ch., W. M. Soc., for Saluda, N. C., 50. Total, 70.00.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA—50c.

Washington: Tacoma Park, Mrs. M. W. T., 50c.

INTERIOR DISTRICT.

OHIO—$535.47.

Akron: First Ch., 72. **Alexis:** S. S., 50c. **Ashland:** Mrs. Briggs' S. S. Class, bbl. goods for Marion, Ala. **Austinburg:** Ch., 10. **Bellevue:** Ch., 4. **Castalia:** Cong. Miss'y Society, bbl. goods for Kings Mountain, N. C. **Cincinnati:** Walnut Hills Ch., 36.30. **Cleveland:** Euclid Ave. Ch., bbl. goods for Marion, Ala.; First Ch., 8.64; Highland Ch., 3.10; I. B. Club, for Marion, Ala., 1.50; Immanuel Ch., 5; J. P., for Joseph K. Brick School, 4; Park Ch., 11; Prof. A. D. S., for Tougaloo College, 100; Trinity Ch., 10.30. **Columbus:** North Ch., 8. **Mansfield:** Mayflower Ch., 9.96. **North Olmsted:** Ch., 6.09. **Oberlin:** First Ch., L. M. Soc., bbl. goods for Kings Mountain, N. C. **Oxford:** Missionary Soc., of Western College, for Thomasville, Ga., 20; M. F. L., 100. **Ravenna:** S. S., 25. **Toledo:** First Ch., 25; Second Ch., 34.50; Plymouth Ch., 5.24.

Woman's Home Missionary Union of Ohio: Mrs. F. E. Walters, Treasurer. **Cleveland:** First, W. A., 7.36; Trinity, L. A. S., 4.40. **Oberlin:** Second, W. S., 17.25. **Sandusky:** W. L., 2.72; S. S., 70c. **Springfield:** Lagonda Ave. L. M. S., 2.91. Total, $35.34.

INDIANA—$9.94.

Angola: First Ch., 5. **Shipshewana:** Ch., 4.94.

MICHIGAN—$273.89.

Alamo: Ch., bbl. goods for Athens Ala. **Alba:** Ch., 4.80. **Bangor: First** Ch., 5.40. **Benzonia:** Ch., 40.38. **Cadillac:** First Ch., 33.60. **Coloma:** Ch., 3.06. **Detroit:** Broadway Ch., 24; Brewster Ch., bbl. goods for Moorhead, Miss. **Dundee:** Ch., 2.50. **Grand Junction:** Ch., 1. **Grand Rapids:** Second Ch. Miss. Soc., 12.75; Smith, Memorial Ch., 15. **Greenville:** Ch., 32. **Hancock:** Ch., 62. **Kalamazoo:** Ch., 5. **Lowell:** Cheerful Doers, 4 and Scrap Books for Athens, Ala. **Memphis:** Ch. 80c. **Merrill:** Ch., 5. **Portland:** First Ch., 5. **Reed City:** First Ch., 8. **Royal Oak:** Ch., 1.60. **Ypsilanti:** Ch., 8.

WESTERN DISTRICT.

ILLINOIS—$743.94.

Abingdon: Ch., 12; Cong'l Missionary Society, bbl. goods for King's Mountain, N. C. **Brookfield:** Ch., 3.36. **Bunker Hill:** Ch., 10.75. **Bureau:** Ch., 4.50. **Byron:** Ch., 1. **Chicago:** Lincoln Mem. Ch., 2; Miss P. W., for Well at Santee, 5; Pilgrim Ch., 24.61; Rogers Park Ch., 25; University Ch., 3; Wellington Ave. Ch., 38.50. **Decatur:** Monday Bible Class, bbl. goods for Marion, Ala. **DeKalb:** L. M. Soc., box goods for Moorhead, Miss. **Dover:** Ch., 2.50; Mission Band, box goods for Marion, Ala. **Dwight:** Ch., 5. **Galesburg:** East Main St., S. S., 3.18. **Kewanee:** First Ch., 17.22. **Lombard:** Ch., 8.25. **Melvin:** L. M. Soc., box goods for Moorhead, Miss. **Millburn:** Ch., 9.53. **Moline:** Second Ch., 10. **Morgan Park:** Ch., 7.50. **Odell:** L. M. Soc., bbl. goods for Moorhead, Miss. **Paxton:** Ch., 6.51. **Park Ridge:** Community Ch., 20. **Peoria:** First Ch., 80; Union Ch., 8. **Plainfield:** L. M. S., bbl. goods for Moorhead, Miss. **Rio:** Ch., 5. **Rockford:** First Ch., 7.50. **Roscoe:** L. M. Soc., two bbls. goods for Marion, Ala. **South Chicago:** C. E. Soc., for support of Nurse at Humacao Hospital, Porto Rico, 5. **Wheaton:** Mrs. J. E. P., for Marion, Ala., 1; L. M. Soc., three bbls. goods for Marion, Ala. **Woodstock:** First Ch., 5. **Wyoming:** First Ch., 10. **Yorkville:** Ch., 8. **"Two Friends in Illinois":** for repairs to Ch. at Mobile, Ala., 75.

Woman's Home Missionary Union of Illinois: Mrs. W. M. Fitch, Treasurer **Alton:** W. S., 8. **Bunker Hill:** W. S., 3. **Chicago:** Fourth W. S., 5; New First, W. S., 19; Ravenswood, W. S., 19; Washington Park, W. S., 11; S. S., 2. **Clifton:** W. S., 10. **Dover:** C. E., 5. **Emington:** W. S., 5. **Evanston:** W. S., 15; S. S., for Indian Missions, 41.13. **Galesburg:** Central W. S., 50. **Geneva:** W. S., 2. **Homer:** W. S., 1.20. **Kewaunee:** W. S., 4. **Loda:** W. S., 5. **Mendon:** C. E. Soc., 10 (5 of which for Blanche Kellogg Institute and 5 for Piedmont College). **Metropolis:** W. S., 1. **Mounds:** S. S., 1. **Oak Park:** Harvard W. S., 1. **Ottawa:** Young Women's Guild, for Grand View, Tenn., 25. **Payson:** W. S., 6.30. **Pittsfield:** W. S., 3. **Plainfield:** W. S., 9.40; Mission Band, for Crow Indians, 3, and for Cubero, New Mexico, 2. **Port Byron:** W. S., 5. **Rollo:** W. S., 10; S. S., 2. **Somonauk:** W. S., 6. **Winnetka:** W. S., 30. Total, $320.03.

IOWA—$266.75.

Ames: "A Friend" for Well at Santee, Neb., 100. **Belmond:** Ch., 14. **Cedar Rapids:** Ch., bbl. goods for Moorhead, Miss.; Work Box, Com. of First Ch., for Moorhead, Miss., 16.50. **Clear Lake:** Ch., 8.50. **Creston:** First Ch., 15. **Des Moines:** Miss J. R., for Grand View, Tenn., 10. **Garden Prairie:** Ch., 4.25. **Grinnell:** Ch., 27; S. S., 24c. **Iowa City:** M. C. W., for Athens, Ala., 5. **County Fair:** for Athens, Ala., 2. **Minden:** C. E., 1. **Monticello:** Ch., 5. **Montour:** Ch., 27.96. **New Hampton:** First Ch., 2.40. **Oelwein:** L. D. P., 300. **Oskaloosa:** Ch., 2. **Riceville:** Mrs. D. W. K., for Gloucester School, 10. **Rockwell:** Ch., 4.86. **Rockwell City:** Mrs. H. P., two boxes goods for Marion, Ala. **Shenandoah:** C. E. Soc., 10 (5 of which for support of Nurse at Humacao Hospital, Porto Rico, and 5 for Education Work in New Mexico). **Steamboat Rock:** Ch., 4. **Strawberry Point:** Ch., 4. **Traer:** Ch., 15.74. **Waterloo:** First S. S., for Tougaloo College, 12.50. **Waucoma:** Ch., 2.

Woman's Home Missionary Union of Iowa: Through Cong'l Conference of Iowa. **Algona:** 2.05. **Atlantic:** S. S., 90c. **Cedar Falls:** 4.50. **Davenport:** Edwards Ch., 2.45; S. S., 95c. **Elkader:** 1.60. **Grinnell:** 19.80. **Manchester:** 3.15. **Muscatine:** First, 2. **Oskaloosa:** 1.35. **Red Oak:** Ch., 3; S. S., 55c. **Sloan:** 4.10. **Spencer:** 90c. **Waterloo:** S. S., 50c. **Whiting:** 15. Total, $62.80.

WISCONSIN—$351.85.

Antigo: Ch., 3. **Brandon:** First Ch., 3.50; S. S., 3.50; Y. P. M. Soc., for Thomasville, Ga., 5. **Brodhead:** Ch., for Joppa, Ala., 7. **Eau Claire:** M. S. L., 124.05. **Evansville:** Ch., 35. **Hartford:** Ch., 1. **Kewaunee:** Ch., 2. **Kinnickinnic:** Ch., 7. **La Crosse:** First Ch., 24. **Menasha:** Ch., 35. **Orange:** Ch., 2. **Spring Green:** Ch., 2.20. **Wauwatosa:** First Ch., 50. **Wyoming:** Ch., 1.60. **Springvale:** Ch., 5.25. **Viroqua:** Ch., 15.

Woman's Home Missionary Union of Wisconsin: Miss Mary L. McCutchan, Treasurer. **Ashland:** W. M. S., 2.75. **Baraboo:** 2. **Beloit:** Second, 1.75. **Dodgeville:** Plymouth, 3. **Durand:** 3. **Evansville:** 1.25. **Grand Rapids:** 4.50. **Madison:** First, 4.75. **Wauwatosa:** 2.75. Total, $25.75.

MINNESOTA—$297.18.

Alexandria: Ch., 60c. **Arco:** Ch., 23c. **Barnesville:** Ch., 55c. **Belview:** Ch., 1. **Cambria:** Ch., 2.80. **Cottage Grove:** Ch., 25c. **Detroit:** Ch., 30c. **Duluth:** Mrs. H. S. P., bbl. goods for Moorhead, Miss.; Pilgrim Ch., 9.75. **Fairmont:** Ch., 2.10. **Granada:** Woman's Soc., bbl. goods for Moorhead, Miss. **Groveland:** Ch., 25c. **Hutchinson:** Ch., 5. **Lake City:** First Ch., 2.68. **Madison:** Ch., 3. **Mapleton:** Ch., 35c. **Minneapolis:** Fifth Ave. Ch., 15; Lowry Hill Ch., 2.38; Lyndale Ch., 3.57; Lynnhurst Ch., 1.60; Minnehaha Ch., 60c; Park Ave. Ch., 2.57; Pilgrim Ch., 2.62; Plymouth Ch., 41.48; Vine Ch., 45c. **Monticello:** Ch., 90c. **Morris:** Ch., 2.82. **North Branch:** Ch., 10c. **Northfield:** Miss E. J. G., for Marion, Ala., 2.64. **Ortonville:** Ch., 23c. **Plainview:** Ch., 60c. **Ruffy Brook:** Ch., 15c. **St. Cloud:** Ch., 10c. **Sleepy Eye:** Ch., 3.03. **St. Paul:** Immanuel Ch., 5; Olivet Ch., 15; Plymouth Ch., 24.50; St. Anthony Park Ch., 9.04; South Park Ch., 1. **Waseca:** Ch., 28c.

Woman's Home Missionary Union of Minnesota: Mrs. A. E. Fancher, Treas. **Alexandria:** W. S., 4.25. **Austin:** 3.06. **Benson:** 3.40. **Big Lake:** 36c. **Brainard:** First, 1.66. **Cottage Grove:** 1.28. **Dodge Center:** 36c. **Duluth:** Pilgrim, 3.25. **Excelsior:** W. S., 3.57. **Fond du Lac:** 25c. **Freeborn:** 4.10. **Glencoe:** 1.02. **Glyndon:** 55c. **Graceville:** 25c. **Granada:** 40c. **Groveland:** 65c. **Hutchinson:** W. S., 1.62. **Lake City:** First, 70c. **Mantorville:** 85c. **Marshall:** 51c. **Minneapolis:** Fifth Ave., 5.43; First, 3.83; Forest Heights, W. S., 1.82; Y. W. Soc., 85c; Fremont Ave., 2.10; Linden Hills, 1.91; W. S., 2.02; Lyndale, 3.40; Lynnhurst, 85c; Park Ave., 7.23; Pilgrim, 1.66; Plymouth, 22.68; Miss L. M. C., 15. **Monticello:** 68c. **Montevideo:** 6.02. **Moorhead:** W. S., 5.41. **New Ulm:** 3.83. **Plainview:** 36c. **Rochester:** 1.74. **St. Paul:** Immanuel, 2.55; St. Anthony Park, 10.10. **Sleepy Eye:** 36c. **Spring Valley:** 65c. **Stewartville:** 3.30. **Waubun:** 30c. **Waseca:** 49c. Total, $132.66.

MISSOURI—$300.21.

Dawn: Ch., 4.62. **Kansas City:** Ivanhoe Park Ch., 10. **St. Louis:** Hope Ch., 5.50. **Webster Groves:** First Ch., 75.

Woman's Home Missionary Union of Missouri: Miss Edith M. Norton, Treas. **Bonne Terre:** W. M. S., 7.50. **Kansas City:** First W. A., 24.71; First Plymouth, Assoc., 39.81; S. S., 2.85; Westminster W. H. M. S., 31.25. **Maplewood:** L. M. S., 3.50. **Old Orchard:** L. M. S., 1.88. **St. Joseph:** First, L. M. S., 13.83; First, Primary S. S., for Bird's Nest Home, 1.75. **St. Louis:** Compton Hill L. M. S., 1.43; First, L. M. S., 11.60; S. S., 1.95; Fountain Park, W. U., 1.57; Hyde Park, L. M. S., 59c; Hyde Park, Y. L. M. S., 1.56; Pilgrim, W. A., 26.96; K. D., 5.75; Pilgrim, Jr. Workers, for Bird's Nest Home, 14.50; United, S. S., 4.12. **Sedalia:** First, L. M. S., 2.98. **Webster Groves:** W. A., 5. Total, $205.09.

KANSAS—$169.98.

Anthony: First Ch., 10.83. **Atwood:** Ch., 6. **Emporia:** First Ch., 40. **Gaylord:** Ch., 12. **Great Bend:** Ch., 8. **Kensington:** A. W. W., 10. **Muscotah:** Ch., 13. **Newton:** Ch., 6. **Olathe:** Ch., 11.65. **Onaga:** Ch., 22. **Ottawa:** Ch., 12. **Pittsburg:** Ch., 6. **Sterling:** Ch., 5. **Wellington:** First Ch., 7.50.

NEBRASKA—$152.49.

Alma: Ch., 2. **Fairfield:** Ch., 18.89. **Franklin:** Ch., 26.50. **Geneva:** Ladies' Soc. of First Cong'l Ch., 5. **Genoa:** Ch., 8. **Indianola:** Ch., 10. **Lincoln:** Ebenezer German Ch., 5. **Olive Branch:** German Ch., 10. **Omaha:** First Ch., 35. **Princeton:** German Ch., 13. **Weeping Water:** Ch., 19.10.

NORTH DAKOTA—$116.17.

Berthold: Ch., 1.82. **Bluegrass:** Parish, 24.60. **Bordulac:** First Ch., S. S., 50c. **Bowman:** Ch., 3. **Cooperstown:** First Ch., 1.25. **Eldridge:** Ch., 2. **Glen-Ullin:** German Evan. Ch., 3. **Hankinson:** Ch., 3. **Hebron:** First German Ch., 7. **Hesper:** Ch., 1. **Hebron:** German Bethanien Ch., 5. **Hope:** Ch., 14. **Hurdsfield:** Ch., 2. **Jamestown:** Ch., 7. **Lawton:** Ch., 2. **Lignite:** First Ch., 3; Foothills Ch., 3. **Marmarth:** Ch., 2. **Oriska:** Union Ch., 3. **New Rockford:** Ch., 7. **Sawyer:** First Ch., 2.

Woman's Home Missionary Union of

No. Dak.: Mrs. M. M. White, Treas. **Drake:** 1. **Fargo:** Plymouth, 3. **Hankinson:** 5. **Michigan:** 5. **Oberon:** 5. Total, $19.

SOUTH DAKOTA—$144.50.

Aberdeen: Ch., 2.64. **Athol:** Ch., 5.94. **Beresford:** S. S., 5. **Bowdle:** Ch., 5; Java Ch., 5. **Cedar:** Ch., 88c. **Geddes:** Ch., 6.30. **Hudson:** Ch., 5. **Huron:** Ch., 5.60. **Lake View:** Ch., 48c. **Mission Hill:** Ch., 6.61. **Oacoma:** Ch., 3.24. **Parkston:** (five German Churches), 25. **Pleasant Valley:** Ch., 63c. **Valley Springs:** Ch., 9. **Upper Cutmeat:** Ch., 50c. **Vermilion:** S. S., 21.85.

Woman's Home Missionary Union of So. Dak.: Mrs. Rollin B. Holden, Treas. **Aberdeen:** 1.51. **Academy:** 1.22. **Alcester:** 1.55. **Armour:** 1.20. **Athol:** 50c. **Belle Fourche:** 87c. **Canova:** 1.08. **Clark:** 83c. **Deadwood:** 76c. **Eagle Butte:** 42c. **Edwin:** 75c. **Gothland:** 60c. **Huron:** 2.10. **Loomis:** 30c. **Lake Preston:** 60c. **Milbank:** 1.26. **Mitchell:** 2.16. **Oldham:** 18c. **Pierre:** 1.50. **Rapid City:** 2.90. **Redfield:** 4.50. **Ree Heights:** 1.13. **Vermilion:** 1.08. **Watertown:** 2.29. **Willow Lakes:** 96c. **Yankton:** 3.58. Total, $35.83.

COLORADO—$165.50.

Eaton: German Ch., 12. **Fort Collins:** German Ch., 25. **Greeley:** First Ch., 22.50; St. Paul's German Ch., 25. **Pueblo:** First Ch., 21. **Wellington:** German Ch., 10. **Windsor:** German Ch., 50.

OKLAHOMA—$19.00.

Anadarko: Ch., 1. **Boley:** Rusk Ch., 10. **Guthrie:** Ch., 6. **Lawton:** Ch., 2.

MONTANA—$4.00.

Hardin: First Ch., 4.

PACIFIC DISTRICT.

CALIFORNIA (Northern)—$192.86.

Berkeley: First Ch., 55; Mrs. O. W. L., for Saluda Seminary, 25. **Ceres:** First Ch., 4.86. **Dinuba:** Ch., 5. **Fresno:** First Ch., 5.50; Third, German, 10. **Lodi:** Ebenezer, German, 4.40. **Oakland:** First Ch., 29.10. **Oroville:** Ch., 30. **Petaluma:** Ch., 2. **San Francisco:** First Ch., 22.

CALIFORNIA (Southern)—$498.75.

Alpina: Ch., 4.95. **Claremont:** Ch., 43.60. **Dehesa:** Ch., 55c. **Escondido:** Ch., 4.95. **Glendale:** Ch., 36.30. **Hawthorne:** Ch., 6.10. **Lawndale:** Ch., 1.35. **Long Beach:** Ch., 11.55. **Los Angeles:** First Ch., 72.60; East Ch., 2.65; Plymouth Ch., 2.75; Olivet, 3.85; Colegrove, Ch., 62c; Messiah, Ch., 19.74; Pilgrim Ch., 7; Bethany Ch., 73c; Bethlehem Japanese Ch., 5.55. **Palms:** Ch., S. S., 33c. **Pasadena:** Pilgrim Ch., 2.28. **Pomona:** Ch., 26.70. **Redlands:** Ch., 16.50. **Riverside:** Ch., 30. **San Jacinto:** Ch., 1.18. **Santa Ana:** Ch., 35. **Santa Barbara:** Ch., 50. **Saticoy:** Ch., 12.65. **Sherman:** Ch., 1.87. **Villa Park:** C. E. Soc., for support of Nurse at Humacao Hospital, Porto Rico, 5. **Whittier:** Ch., additional, 25.

Woman's Home Missionary Union of California: Mrs. E. C. Norton, Treasurer. **Claremont:** 7. **Long Beach:** 6. **Los Angeles:** Olivet, 2; Pilgrim, 1; Trinity, 4. **Monrovia:** 1. **Ontario:** 6.40. **Redlands:** 20. **San Diego:** Logan Heights, for Thorsby Inst., 20. Total, $67.40.

OREGON—$13.48.

Corvalis: First Ch., 3.39. **Lexington:** Ch., 4. **Oregon City:** Ch., 3.09. **Oswego:** Ch., 3.

WASHINGTON—$139.39.

Bellingham: Ch., 3.44. **Edmonds:** Ch., 1. **Natchez:** Ch., 98c. **Metaline Falls:** Ch., 70c. **Ritzville:** Philadelphia German Ch., 32.50. **Seattle:** Queen Anne Ch., 13. **Spokane:** Corbin Park Ch., 2. **Tacoma:** Park Ave. Ch., 1.50. **Warden:** Friedensfeld Ch., 6.86.

Woman's Home Missionary Union of Washington: Mrs. J. H. Matthews, Treasurer. **Everett:** 5. **Lowell:** 5. **Orchard Prairie:** 10. **Seattle:** Plymouth W. S., 9.42; Mrs. S. Class in S. S., for S. A. at Tougaloo, 15; University, 1.25. **Spokane:** Corbin Park, 5. **Tacoma:** First, 1.74; East, 6. **Walla Walla:** 2.65. **Winslow:** 7.35. **W. H. M. U. of Wash.:** for S. A. at Tougaloo College, 9. Total, $77.41.

ARIZONA—$9.00.

Prescott: S. S., 9.

IDAHO—$31.53.

Aberdeen: German Ch., 2. **American Falls:** First German Ch., 4; Zion German Ch., 1; Zoar, German Ch., 2. **Lewiston:** Ch., 53c. **Mountain Home:** Ch., 6. **Weiser:** Ch., 16.

THE SOUTH, &c.

VIRGINIA—$5.00.

Portsmouth: Ch., 5.

WEST VIRGINIA—$6.83.

Huntington: First Ch., 4.83. **Ceredo:** Ch., 2.

NORTH CAROLINA—$61.30.

Bricks: S. S., 5.30. **Charlotte:** Ch., 8.60. **Durham:** Layman's Missionary Movement, 22. **Fayetteville:** Shilo Ch., 3. **Raleigh:** Mrs. A. B. H., for Peabody Academy, 5. **Whitakers:** R. L. T., for Joseph K. Brick School, 1; D. S. C., for Joseph K. Brick School, 5. **Wilmington:** First Ch., 11.40.

TENNESSEE—$5.51.

East Lake: Ch., 5.51.

GEORGIA—$64.81.

Albany: Albany Normal School, Thanksgiving Offering, 14.91; Students, 11. **Andersonville:** First Ch., 52c. **Athens:** Cong'l State Conference, 4.84. **Atlanta:** First Ch., 13; Rush Mem. Ch., 5. **Demorest:** Union Ch., 14.70. **Thomasville:** Bethany Ch., 84c.

ALABAMA—$9.27.

Athens: Trinity School, Patrons, 4.05. **Montgomery:** First Ch., S. S., 2.22. **Shelby:** First Ch., 3.

MISSISSIPPI—$36.00.

Jackson: Christ's Temple, 23. **Meridian:** Ch., 13.

LOUISIANA—$53.50.

New Orleans: Straight University Alumni Association, Class of 1902, 11; Straight College, Co-operative Club, for Repairs, 15; "A Friend," for Kindergarten, Knox Inst., Athens, Ga., 22.50. **Roseland:** Ch., 5.

TEXAS—$32.00.

Corpus Christi: Ch., 10. **Friona:** Ch., 3. **Houston:** First Ch., 5. **Paris:** Ch., 4. **Roxton:** Bethel Ch., 5. **Stelltown:** Ch., 5.

FLORIDA—$17.91.

Cottage Hill: Rev. and Mrs. G. S. P., 2.71. **Tallahassie:** Mission, 15.20.

SUMMARY FOR DECEMBER, 1917.

Donations	$20,138.80
Legacies	4,746.39
Total	$24,885.19

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS THREE MONTHS

From October 1 to December 31, 1917.

Donations	$51,472.99
Legacies	13,151.95
Total	$64,624.94

ENDOWMENT FUND.

Talladega College Endowment Fund, additional	$1,000.00

Congregational Church Building Society

Charles H. Baker, Treasurer - 287 Fourth Avenue, New York, N. Y.

October, November and December, 1917

FOR CHURCH BUILDING.

ALABAMA—$14.00.

Brantley: 1. **Gate City:** 8. **Glenwood:** 1. **Hackleburg:** 1. **Haleyville:** Union Grove, 1. **Phoenix:** 1. **Troy:** 1.

ARIZONA—$35.15.

Prescott: 1st, 7.15. **Tempe:** 1st, 5.55; S. S., 2.95. **Tombstone:** 1st, 7. **Tucson:** 1st, 12.50.

CALIFORNIA—$1,807.13.

CALIFORNIA (Northern)—$1,185.58.

Adin: 1st, 4.26. **Alton:** 1st, 2. **Alturas:** 1st, 3.10. **Bay Point:** 8.70. **Berkeley:** 1st, 94; North, 9.78. **Bowles:** 1st, 2.12. **Ceres:** Smyrna Park, 15.13. **Crockett:** 1st, 15. **Dinuba:** 2. **Dorris:** 1st, 5. **Ferndale:** 15.23. **Field's Landing:** 4. **Fresno:** 1st, 4.49; 3d, German, 11; Japanese, 1; Kreutz, 32; Pilgrim, 9.40; Zion, 3. **Grass Valley:** 3.76. **Hydesville:** 2.50. **Lincoln:** 1st, 10. **Lodi:** First, 28.24; Ebenezer, 3.76. **Martinez:** 1st, 2.70. **Mill Valley:** 75c. **Murphys:** 23c. **Niles:** 1st, 7.14. **Oakland:** 1st, 231.95; Japanese, 94c; Pilgrim, 2.67; Plymouth, 70.80. **Oleander:** 6.44. **Pacific Grove:** Mayflower, 12.92. **Palo Alto:** 1st, 9.10. **Paradise:** Craig Mem., 8.25. **Petaluma:** 17.62. **Redwood City:** 1st, 5.17. **Rio Vista:** 5.08. **Salida:** 1st, 1.71. **San Francisco:** 1st, 47; Bethany, 25c; Chinese, 7; Japanese, 2; Mission, 4.47; Park, 75; Sunset, 6.60. **Sanger:** Salem, 20. **San Jose:** 1st, 50. **San Mateo:** 1st, 4.12. **Santa Rosa:** 1st, 3.55; Todd, 1.60. **Saratoga:** 20.03. **Sebastopol:** 1st, 77c. **Soquel:** 3.51. **Stockton:** 1st, 16.29. **Sunnyvale:** 9.58. **Sunol Glen:** 1st, 5.

W. H. M. U.: Alturas: 1st, 48c. **Berkeley:** 1st, 24.16; Bethany, 11c; North, 1.66; Park, 92c. **Big Valley:** 1st, 64c. **Bowles:** 1st, 53c. **Campbell:** 1st, 1.62. **Ceres:** Smyrna Pk., 82c. **Eureka:** 1.20. **Ferndale:** 4.16. **Fresno:** 2. **Grass Valley:** 67c. **Lodi:** 1st, 3.52; Ebenezer, 76c. **Martinez:** 1st, 65c. **Murphys:** 1st, 4c. **Niles:** 51c. **Oakland:** 1st, 63.32; Calvary, 2.40; Fruitvale, 60c; Japanese, 16c; Olivet, 14c; Pilgrim, 2.64; Plymouth, 20.64. **Oleander:** 1.06. **Palo Alto:** 2. **Pacific Grove:** 2.20. **Petaluma:** 1st, 1. **Porterville:** 1st, 1.76. **Redwood City:** 2.88. **Ripon:** 80c. **Sacramento:** 96c. **San Francisco:** 1st, 53.28; Bethany, 1; Mission, 3.20; Richmond, 96c. **San Mateo:** 66c. **San Rafael:** 40c. **Santa Cruz:** 12. **Santa Rosa:** 1.24. **Saratoga:** 5. **Sebastopol:** 80c. **Sonoma:** 3.20. **Soquel:** 96c. **Stockton:** 4.80. **Sunnyvale:** 70c. **Tipton:** 4c. **Tulare:** Redeemer, 46c. **Weaverville:** 16c.

CALIFORNIA (Southern)—$621.55.

Alpine: 4.05. **Bloomington:** 2.25. **Chula Vista:** 1st, 2.51. **Claremont:** 1st, 58.82. **Dehesa:** 1st, 2.95. **E. Bakersfield:** Pilgrim, 9.54. **Escondido:** Christ 5.85. **Graham:** Immanuel, 72c. **Hawthorne:** 3.60. **La Mesa:** 1st, 15. **Lawndale:** 1st, 1.11. **Long Beach:** 1st, 22.95. **Los Angeles:** G. A. R., 17.50; 1st, 65.64; Athens, 87c; Bethany, 1.80; Colegrove, 51c; Eagle Rock, 94c; East, 2.91; Grace, 45c; Messiah, 16.14; Olivet, 4.41; Pilgrim, 15; Plymouth, 2.25. **Maricopa:** 1st, 4.90. **Monrovia:** 1st, 6.98. **National City:** 1.73 **Ontario:** Bethel S. S., 7.30. **Palms:** 19c; S. S., 27c. **Pasadena:** 1st, 53.55; Pilgrim, 3.57. **Paso Robles:** 1st, 1.62. **Pomona:** Pilgrim, 35.56. **Redlands:** 1st, 29.25. **Redondo Beach:** Christ, 2.25. **San Bernardino:** 1st, 2.33. **San Diego:** 1st, 49.15; La Jolla, 5.40; Park Villas, 90c. **San Jacinto:** 2.73. **Santa Ana:** 1st, 4.08. **Santa Barbara:** 1st, 36; Japanese, 3. **Saticoy:** 1st, 14.32. **Sherman:** 1st, 2.95. **Villa Park:** 1st, 57c.

W. H. M. U.: Chula Vista: 3. **Claremont:** 1st, 2. **Highland:** 1.50. **La Mesa:** Central, 1.27. **Long Beach:** 1st, 3. **Los Angeles:** 1st, 8.80; Bethany, 1; Colegrove, 50c; East, 70c; Messiah, 2.70; Pico Hts, 10; Plymouth, 1.60; Trinity, 1; Vernon, 4. **Ontario:** Bethel, 16.20. **Pasadena:** Lake Ave., 6; Neighborhood, 6. **Pomona:** Pilgrim, 4. **San Diego:** 1st, 8.15; Missions Hills, 2.10. **Santa Ana:** 1st, 2.50. **Santa Barbara:** 2.50. **Sierra Madre:** 1st, 60c. **Whittier:** Plymouth, 6.

COLORADO—$466.69.

Ault: 1st, 13. **Berthoud:** German, 1st, 10. **Bethune:** German, 10. **Colorado Springs:** 1st, 53.08; 2d, 3. **Cripple Creek:** 1st, 4. **Denver:** Harmon, 4th Ave., 17.36; North, 5; Ohio Ave., 30. **Eaton:** German, 1st, 30. **Fort Collins:** German, 25. **Greeley:** 1st, 37.50; St. Paul, 25. **Lafayette:** 1st, 8.50. **Longmont:** 1st, 50. **Loveland:** 1st, German, 30. **Pueblo:** First, 35. **Wellington:** 1st, 10. **Windsor:** German, 25.

W. H. M. U.: Arickaree: 50c. **Ault:** 1.80. **Boulder:** 2.30. **Craig:** 1. **Colorado Springs:** 1st, 18; City, Pilgrim, 90c. **Denver:** Berkeley, 2; North, 50c; Pilgrim, 3; Plymouth, 6; Tabernacle, 50c. **Eaton:** 1.50. **Fruita:** 1. **Joes:** 50c. **Montrose:** 3. **Pueblo:** 1st S. S., 2.75.

CONNECTICUT—$3,370.97.

Andover: 5. **Bethlehem:** 2.71. **Bolton:** 4. **Bridgeport:** Olivet, 25; Park S. S., 11.15; Park Y. P., 1; Swedish, 10; United, 20. **Bristol:** 100; Swedish, 5. **Cheshire:** 29.14. **Colebrook:** 8. **Darien:** 1st, 3.50. **Durham:** 6. **Deep River:** Swedish, 3. **East Berlin:** 2d, 32.10. **Eastford:** 2.01. **East Haddam:** 1st, 14.92. **East Hartford:** 1st, 31.54; South, 9. **East Haven:** 17. **Enfield:** 1st, 25. **Essex:** 3.05. **Greenfield Hill:** 3. **Greenwich:** North, 4.14; 2d, 47. **Griswold:** 2d, 11.25. **Groton:** 10. **Haddam:** 9. **Haddam Neck:** 10. **Hadlyme:** 5. **Hampton:** 3.85. **Hartford:** 1st, Center, 110.40; Asylum Hill, 70; Asylum Hill S. S., 15.50; 2d, South, 34.40; 4th, 60.42; 4th S. S., 13.08. **Kent:** 1st S. S. 1. **Lebanon:** 5.70. **Ledyard:** 4. **Lisbon:** Newent, Norwich, 4, **Litchfield:** 39.75. **Madison:** 1st, 10. **Manchester:** 1st, 35.49. **Mansfield:** 2d, 8. **Meriden:** Center, 45; 1st S. S., 12.73. **Middlefield:** 2.73. **Middletown:** 1st, 19.53. **Milford:** 1st, 65.04; Plymouth, 5.11. **Monroe:** 80c; S. S., 80c. **Montville:** 1st, 7. **Mt. Carmel:** 14.04. **New Canaan:** S. S., 25. **New Hartford:** 24. **New Haven:** Center, 125; Dwight Pl., 115.08; Pilgrim, 50. **New Haven:** Redeemer, 42.65. **Newtown:** 15.68. **Northfield:** 14.14; S. S., 2.22. **North Haven:** S. S., 7.19. **North Stamford:** 3. **North Stonington:** 14. **North Woodberry:** 5. **Norwalk:** 6.50. **Norwich:** B'way, 195.40; Park, 37.96; 2d, 4.10. **Oakville:** 9. **Old Saybrook:** 1st, 5.45. **Plymouth:** 20. **Portland:** 1st, 10.17. **Prospect:** 6. **Putnam:** 2d, 12.01; S. S., 12.01. **Ridgefield:** 1st, 14.38. **Rockville:** Union, 128. **Sherman:** 15. **Simsbury:** 1st, 10.67. **Somers:** 10.82. **South Coventry:** 1st, 11. **South Manchester:** Center, 72. **Stafford Springs:** 37.83. **Stamford:** 1st, 30.64. **Stonington:** 1st, 35. **Terryville:** 57.22. **Thomaston:** 23.24. **Tolland:** 4.65. **Torrington:** French, 5. **Washington:** 40. **Waterbury:** 2d, 615.85. **Watertown:** 1st, 35.37. **Westford:** 1.50. **West Hartford:** 63.28. **Wethersfield:** 1st, 24.61. **Whitneyville:** 22.16. **Winchester Center:** 6.84.

Windsor: 1st, 8.05. **Windsor Locks:** 16. **Winsted:** 1st, 13.38; 2d, 8.04. **Woodbridge:** 5. **Woodstock:** Swedish, 6.

W. H. M. U.: Bridgeport: Union, 18. **Collinsville:** 6. **East Haven:** 6. **Farmington:** 6. **Hartford:** 1st, 75. **Ivoryton:** 12. **New Haven:** Redeemer, 20; Yale, 4. **Madison:** 10. **North Woodstock:** 2. **North Haven:** 5. **Pomfret:** 8. **Portland:** 13. **Rockville:** 10. **South Coventry:** 5. **Watertown:** 1st, 5. **Willimantic:** 7.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA—$9.74.

Washington: Ingram Mem., 9.74.

FLORIDA—$5.00.

Daytona: 1st, 5.

GEORGIA—$17.70.

Albany: East, 1.50. **Demorest:** Union, 10. **Hoschton:** 1st, 2.50. **Tucker:** Union, 3.70.

IDAHO—$87.95.

Aberdeen: German, 2. **American Falls:** 1st, 6; Zion, 1; Zoar, 3. **Boise City:** 1st, 2. **Boise:** Wright, 3. **Challis:** 1st, 9. **Deary:** Union, 5. **Fairview:** 3. **Grandview:** 2. **Hope:** 1st, 3.47. **Indian Valley:** 3. **Kootenai:** 1st, 2.10. **Kimama:** German, 1. **Lewiston:** Pilgrim, 1.08. **McCall:** 2. **Meadows:** 1st S. S., 2.30. **New Plymouth:** 5; Valley View, 3. **Sandpoint:** M. S. W., 5. **Weiser:** 1st, 24.

ILLINOIS—$1,136.72.

Abingdon: 7.50. **Amboy:** 1.13. **Area:** 1st, 5. **Atkinson:** 5.40; S. S., 60c. **Aurora:** New England, 16.25. **Berwyn:** La Vergne, 10c. **Bowen:** 1st, 4.50. **Brookfield:** 1st, 4. **Buda:** 13.60. **Bunker Hill:** 6.65. **Bureau:** 1.50. **Byron:** 50c. **Champaign:** 1st, 20. **Chicago:** 1st, New, 6.75; Bethlehem, 3; Brainerd, 10; Burnside, 1; Community, 16.50; Forest Glen, 2; Leavitt St., 8; Lincoln Mem., 2; Morgan Pk., 14.75; Pacific S. S., 1.25; No. Englewood S. S., 10; Pilgrim, 15.24; Ravenswood, 6.03; Rogers Pk., 25; South, 14.40; University, 15; Warren Ave., 3.21; Wellington, 30; Windsor Pk., 16. **Chillicothe:** Plymouth, 10. **Decatur:** 1st, 19. **DePue:** 1st, 2.21. **Des Plaines:** 1st, 11. **Downers Grove:** 1st, 33. **Dwight:** 1st, 5. **E. St. Louis:** Plymouth, 5. **Fall Creek:** Zion, 15. **Galesburg: Central** S. S., 10. **Ivanhoe:** 2.11. **Kewanee:** 1st, 10.66. **Lacon:** 1st, 5. **La Grange:** 35. **La Harpe:** 5. **La Salle:** 2. **Lockport:** 1.36. **Lombard:** 1st, 7.25. **Malta:** 1.51. **Millburn:** 5.17. **Moline:** 1st, 15; 2d, 28. **Morton Park:** 16.25. **Oak Park:** 3d, 5.06; No. Berwin, 3. **Onarga:** S. S., 3. **Oneida:** 1st, 5. **Paxton:** 4.03. **Payson:** 11.97. **Peoria:** 1st, 76; Union, 8.58. **Peru:** S. S., 10. **Plymouth:** 1.52. **Poplar Grove:** 2. **Princeton:** 3.70; S. S., 3.32. **Rockford:** 1st, 7. **Roscoe:** 1.30. **Rosemond:** S. S., 5. **Sandoval:** 1st, 5. **Shabbona:** 4. **Sterling:** 4.88. **Summer Hill:** 5. **Waverly:** 2. **Wheaton:** College, 24.07. **Wilmette:** 1st, 4.03; S. S., 13.04. **Woodstock:** 1st, 10. **Wyanet:** 15. **Wyoming:** 10. **Yorkville:** 3.

W. H. M. U.: Anawan: 1. **Big Rock:** 2. **Bunker Hill:** 1. **Chicago:** 4th, 3; Bowmanville, 2; Fellowship, 1.10; Grand Ave., 2; Grayland, 1; Leavitt St., 2.50; New 1st, 20; New 1st S. S., 8; Park Manor, 1; Pilgrim, 6; Ravenswood, 20; Rogers Park, 5; Rogers Park C. E., 2; South, 4.50; University, 4; Washington, 6; Washington S. S., 2. **Chillicothe:** 1. **Danville:** Plymouth, 1. **DeKalb:** 3; C. E., 2. **Decatur:** 1. **Dover:** C. E., 5. **Elburn:** 2. **Evanston:** 1st S. S., 51.21. **Forrest:** S. S., 3. **Geneseo:** 2. **Geneva:** 1. **Granville:** S. S., 8.53. **Gridley:** 4.45. **Griggsville:** 2. **Homer:** 1. **Illini:** 3. **Ivanhoe:** 2. **Jacksonville:** S. S., 4. **Kewanee:** 1st, 2. **La Grange:** 10.75. **La Harpe:** 5. **Lockport:** 1.40. **Londa:** 3. **Lombard:** 6. **Lyonsville:** 2. **Metropolis:** 1. **Moline:** 1st, 5. **Mound City:** 1. **Mounds:** S. S., 1. **Oak Park:** 1st, 29; 4th, 1; Harvard, 1. **Ottawa:** 2. **Peoria:** 1st, 2; S. S., 12. **Pittsfield:** 1. **Plainfield:** 8.40. **Port Byron:** 5. **Princeton:** 4. **Rantoul:** 1. **Rollo:** 10. **Rosemond:** 1. **Roseville:** 2. **Sandwich:** 5. **Shabbona:** 3. **Somonauk:** 3. **Speer:** S. S., 1. **Spring Valley:** 3. **Sterling:** 2. **Stillman Valley:** 4. **Thawville:** 5. **Tonica:** 3. **Waukegan:** 1st, 1. **Winnetka:** 15. **Woodstock:** 1.

INDIANA—$64.61.

Angola: Independent, 5. **Bremem:** 7.78. **Fort Wayne: Plymouth,** 22.75. **Indianapolis:** Brightwd., 1; 1st, 1.44. **Kokomo:** 1st, 7.35. **Michigan City:** German, 5. **Shipshewana:** 1st, 2.28. **Terre Haute:** Plymouth, 12.01.

IOWA—$785.20.

Adelphi: Union, 5. **Alden:** 5. **Algona:** 8.95. **Ames:** 3. **Arion:** 1st, 1.45. **Avoca:** German, 5. **Cedar Falls:** 1st, 10.88. **Charles City:** 72; S. S., 8. **Clear Lake:** 1st, 7.15. **Clinton:** 1st, 4.73. **Crocker:** 1st, 2.50. **Davenport:** Edwards, 5.88. **Decorah:** 1st, 3. **Des Moines:** Greenwood, 4.50; Greenwood S. S., 4.75; Plymouth, 8. **Dubuque:** 1st, 10.61; Immanuel, 11. **Elkader:** 1st, 4. **Emmetsburg:** 1st, 10. **Fort Dodge:** 12. **Garden Prairie:** 1st, 3.50. **Gem Point:** 5. **Genoa Bluffs:** 3. **Gilman: 1st,** 4. **Grinnell:** 24; S. S., 2.85. **Hickory Grove:** 200. **Iowa City:** 12; S. S., 1.60. **Jackson:** 3. **Magnolia:** 2.25. **Manchester:** 14. **Maquoketa:** 4. **Marion:** 4. **Mason City:** 1st, 10. **McGregor:** 3.46. **Minden:** German Y. P., 80c. **Monticello:** 7.50. **Moville:** 3. **Muscatine:** Mulford S. S., 60c. **New Hampton:** 1st, 1.90. **Newton:** 25. **Oskaloosa:** 1st, 6.11. **Otho:** 7. **Ottumwa:** Swedish, 4. **Perry:** 1st, 1.78; S. S., 35c. **Preston:** S. S., 2.44. **Red Oak:** 7. **Rock Rapids:** 1st, 8 52. **Rockwell:** 1st, 4. **Rodney:** 1st, 50c. **Shell Rock:** 7.51. **Sioux Rapids:** 1st S. S., 4.36. **Sloan:** 6.88. **Somers:** Mizpah, 4. **Steamboat Rock:** 3. **Strawberry Point:** 1st, 9. **Tabor:** 11. **Traer:** 13. **Treynor:** 5. **Union:** 1. **Victor:** Christ, 60c. **Waterloo:** Plymouth, 10.30. **Waucoma:** 1st, 1. **Webster City:** South, 14. **Westfield:** 6.

W. H. M. U.: Algona: 2.95. **Atlantic:** 75c. **Cedar Falls:** 3.60. **Cherokee:** 2.80. **Clear Lake:** 2.85. **Clinton:** 1.20. **Davenport:** Edwards, 1.95; Edwards S. S., 75c. **Dubuque:** 1st, 4.10. **Eldora:** 90c. **Elkader:** 2.08. **Glenwood:** 55c. **Grinnell:** 34.65. **Lyons:** 8c. **Manchester:** 4.50. **Moorland:** 1.05. **Muscatine:** 1st, 1.60. **Newell:** 1.60. **Oskaloosa:** 1.43. **Ottumwa:** 1st, 6.60. **Red Oak:** 2; S. S., 45c. **Rockford:** 2.80. **Rowan:** 80c. **Shenandoah:** 2.40. **Sloan:** 3.20. **Spencer:** 75c. **Vining:** S. S., 20c. **Waterloo:** Union S. S., 40c. **Whiting:** 15.

KANSAS—$398.73.

Anthony: 1st, 16. **Atwood:** 1st, 6. **Emporia:** 1st, 30. **Fort Scott:** 1st, 35.66. **Garnett:** 8. **Great Bend:** 1st, 10. **Kansas City:** Central, 16; 1st, 5. **Kensington:** 1st, 15. **Lawrence:** Plymouth, 17.50. **Lenora:** 1st, 6. **Leona:** 5. **Manhattan:** 1st, 5.75. **Mound City:** 5.85. **Neosho Falls:** 1st, 7.20. **Newton:** 1st, 2. **Ocheltree:** 3. **Onaga:** 1st, 20. **Ottawa:** 1st, 8. **Paola:** Plymouth, 13.50. **Parsons:** 5. **Pittsburg:** 1st, 8. **Sabetha:** 12. **Seneca:** 1st, 22.30. **Topeka:** Central, 10; 1st, 10. **Twelve Mile:** 6. **Wellington:** 1st, 6.50.

W. H. M. U.: Atchison: S. S., 1. **Kansas City:** Ruby Ave., 5. **Kirwin:** 4. **Leavenworth:** 3. **Lawrence:** Plymouth, 8.75. **Manhattan:** 5.91. **Maple Hill:** 1. **Newton:** 8. **Olathe:** S. S., 1.75. **Parsons:** 3. **Sabetha:** 8. **Tonganoxie:** 6.81. **Topeka:** Central 19.25; 1st, 5. **Wichita:** College Hill, 3.

LOUISIANA—$1.00.

Lake Peigneur: St. Peter S. S., 1.

MAINE—$305.65.

Auburn: 6th St., 7.31. **Bangor:** Ham-

mond St., 53.72. **Bath:** Winter St., 20. **Belfast:** 1st, 7. **Brewer:** 1st, 3.51. **Bridgton:** 17.85. **Brooks:** 3.50. **Burlington:** 2. **Camden:** 13. **Cornish:** Village, 5. **Dedham:** 5. **Deer Isle:** 1st, 4. **Dennysville:** 5. **Ellsworth Falls:** Union, 1. **Gardiner:** 17. **Grand Lake Stream:** 5. **Greenville:** 5.38. **Hiram:** 3. **Kennebunkport:** South, 2. **Lincoln:** 1st, 4. **Litchfield:** 5. **Marshfield:** 1. **Mexico:** 5. **Millinocket:** 1st, 3. **Minot:** 10. **New Gloucester:** 6.64. **Orono:** Stillwater, 9. **Patten:** 3. **Perry:** 1st, 2. **Portage Lake:** 5. **Portland:** Stevens Ave., 5; Woodfords, 9.96. **Richmond:** 1. **South Berwick:** S. S., 6.25. **Springfield:** 3. **Standish:** 6. **Stoneham:** East, 2. **Thomaston:** 2.

W. H. M. U.: Bath: Central, 85c. **Bingham:** 40c. **Jackman:** 2. **No. Bridgton:** 80c. **No. Yarmouth:** W. H., 40c. **Portland:** State St., 4.80; Woodfords, 16.98. **Sandy Point:** 2.50. **Skowhegan:** 1.50. **So. Bridgton:** 40c. **So. Portland:** Bethany, 85c. **Westbrook:** 4.25. **Winslow:** 80c.

MARYLAND—$2.38.

Frostburg: Welsh, 2.38.

MASSACHUSETTS—$7,732.56.

Acton: South, 3.11. **Amesbury:** Main St., 4.06; Union, 3. **Amherst:** North, 20; South, 2.61. **Andover:** Ballardvale, 14.72. **Ashby:** 10.46. **Barnstable:** Cotuit, 2; **Hyannis,** 2.52. **Becket:** 1st, 1.60; North, 5.11. **Belmont:** Plymouth, 6.84. **Berlin:** 8. **Bernardston:** Goodale, 3.97. **Beverly:** Dane St., 51. **Blackstone:** Woonsocket, 5. **Blandford:** 2d, 1. **Boston:** Boylston J. P., 3.49; Central, 360; Central J. P., 50; East Baker, 2.80; Harvard, Dorch., 10; Old South, 728.45; Park St., 57.68; Phillips So., 10; Pilgrim, Dorch., 60; 2d, Dorch., 24.38; 2d S. S., Dorch., 10; Trinity, Neps., 10; Village, Dorch., 18; Village, Y. P., 1; Walnut, Rox., 53.73. **Brimfield:** 10.07. **Brockton:** Porter, 86.25; So. Campbell, 75. **Braintree:** 1st, 8. **Brighton:** 5.43. **Brookline:** Harvard, 93.26. **Cambridge:** 1st, Prospect, 12.04; Pilgrim, 13.86; North, 18.48; Wood Mem., 2.27. **Carlisle:** 4.25 **Carver:** North, 4. **Chelmsford:** Central, 14. **Chester:** 2d, 2. **Chicopee Falls:** 2d, 6.64. **Clinton:** German, 4. **Cohasset:** 1.93. **Concord:** 22.17. **Cummington:** Village, 9.20; West, 1.44. **Dalton:** 221.24. **Dedham:** 1st, 12.56; S. S., 8.38. **Deerfield:** South, 4.50. **Douglas:** 1st, 2. **Dracut:** 1st, 3. **Duxbury:** Pilgrim, 4. **East Bridgewater:** Y. P., 1. **East Hampton:** 1st, 5. **Enfield:** 19.20. **Essex:** 10.62; North Ass., 11.30. **Everett:** 1st, 19.27; Courtland St., 6. **Fall River:** Central, 32.50; French, 4; Pilgrim, 1.10. **Fitchburg:** Calvanistic, 17.86; Rollstone, 24.34. **Franklin:** 1st, 5. **Gardner:** 86.85. **Grafton:** Evang., 10.35. **Granby:** Christ, 6.32. **Granville:** 1st, 2. **Great Barrington:** 15.81; M. S. R., 10. **Greenfield:** 2d, 19. **Greenwich Village:** 1. **Hadley:** 2d, North, 10. **Hardwick:** 6. **Harvard:** 5. **Haverhill:** Bradford, 14.38; Center, 9.58; North, 50; Riverside, 4; Ward Hill, 2; West, 6.93; Zion, 2. **Hawley:** West, 2. **Haydenville:** 3. **Hinsdale:** 11.39. **Holden:** 6.22. **Holyoke:** J. K. J., 25; 1st, 27.81; Grace, 11; 2d, 75. **Hopkinton:** 18.38. **Lancaster:** 13.43. **Lawrence:** United, 14.40. **Lenox:** C. C. S., 5. **Leominster:** Orthodox, 8.45. **Leverett:** 1st, 2.38. **Lowell:** Highland, 9.50; Pawtucket, 21. **Ludlow:** 1st, 9. **Lynn:** 1st, 23.75; Scand., 6.70. **Lynnfield Center:** 4.80. **Malden:** 1st, 23.91. **Manchester:** 4.85. **Marshfield Hills:** 3. **Maynard:** Finnish, 3.15. **Medford:** Mystic, 13.19; Union, 7.48; West, 22.75. **Merrimac:** 4.22. **Middleboro:** 1st, 6; North, 6.60. **Millis:** 3.60. **Milton:** East, 8.68. **Monson:** 50. **Montague:** 1st, Turners F., 12. **Natick:** 1st, 35. **New Boston:** 1.50. **Newbury:** Byfield, 2.48. **Newburyport:** Belleville, 3.98. **Newton:** Auburndale, 102.80; Eliot, 50; North, 4.15; 2d, 117; Union, 17.25. **Newtonville:** Central, 55. **North Adams:** 32. **Northampton:** 1st, 27.45; Edwards, 25.80; Florence, 15.50. **Northboro:** 8.11. **Northbridge:** Whitins, 403. **North Easton:** Swedish, 5. **Northfield:** Trinity, 52.02. **Norwood:** 1st, 50.10. **Orange:** Central, 15.29. **Orleans:** 6.65. **Palmer:** Three Rivers, 14. **Peperell:** 13.28. **Peru:** 1. **Pittsfield:** 1st, 142.50. **Plympton:** 5.50. **Quincy:** Bethany, 7.46; Finnish, 3; Washington St., 3. **Randolph:** 9.11. **Raynham:** 5. **Reading:** 35.57. **Revere:** 1st, 5.75. **Rockland:** 4.68. **Rockport:** 1st, 6; Pigeon Cove, 5. **Rowley:** 9.25. **Royalston:** 1st, 4.11. **Salem:** M. B. P., 10; Tabernacle, 93.33. **Saugus:** 1.44. **Sharon:** 25.87. **Sheffield:** Y. P., 2. **Shelburne:** 21.16. **Sherborn:** 3.50. **Shrewsbury:** S. S., 2.17. **Somerset:** 1st, 4.20. **Somerville:** Highland, 8.90; Prospect, 11. **Southampton:** 8. **South Hadley:** 11.25. **Springfield:** 1st, 24.13; Faith, 42.50; Hope, 49.11; St. Johns, 10; South, 25. **Sterling:** 8. **Stockbridge:** 20. **Sunderland:** 22. **Swampscott:** 3. **Taunton:** a friend, 25; Trinitarian, 39. **Templeton:** Baldwinville, 6. **Upton,** 2.32. **Wakefield:** 1st, 36.69. **Waltham:** 1st, 7.50. **Watertown:** Phillips, 74.75. **Wayland:** 2. **Wellesley:** 26.36; Hills, 22.90. **Wellfleet:** 1st, 3; South, 2. **Wendell:** 1.60. **Wenham:** 6. **Westfield:** 1st, 25.46. **Westford:** 11.31. **Westhampton:** 15. **Westminster:** 1st, 3.54; W. S., 1.60. **Weymouth:** East S. S., 3.87; Union, 5.15. **Whitman:** 7.19. **Wilbraham:** No. Grace, 3.71. **Williamstown:** 1st, 50. **Winchester:** J. E. J., 1; 1st, 230. **Winthrop:** 17.88. **Woburn:** Montvale, 2.30. **Worcester:** 1st H. H. M., 100; Lake View, 7.19; Park, 5.98; Piedmont, 59; Plymouth, 64.80; Union, 21.10.

W. H. M. A.: For Chase, Kan., 450; for Snohomish, Wash., 800.

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Congregational Education Society

S. F. Wilkins, Treasurer - 14 Beacon Street, Boston, Mass.

Receipts, December, 1917

ALABAMA—$7.00.

Brantley: 1. **Hackleburg:** 1st, 1. **Haleyville:** 1. **Phoenix:** 1. **Thorsby:** S. S., 2. **Troy:** 1.

CALIFORNIA (Southern)—$21.17.

Alpine: 45c. **Claremont:** 3.96. **Dehesa:** 5c. **Escondido:** 45c. **Hawthorne:** 10c. **Lawndale:** 12c. **Long Beach:** 1.05. **Los Angeles:** Bethany, 7c; Colegrove, 6c; First, 1.77; East, 19c; Ch. of Messiah, 1.79; Plymouth, 25c; Olivet, 35c. **Ontario:** S. S., 1.16. **Palms:** 3c. **Pasadena:** 1st, 2; Pilgrim, 21c. **Pomona:** 2.09. **Redlands:** 1.50. **San Diego:** 1st, 1.64. **San Jacinto:** 1st, 11c. **Santa Ana:** 45c. **Saticoy:** 1.15. **Sherman:** 17c.

COLORADO—$81.50.

Denver: North, 2.50. **Greeley:** 1st, 15. **Longmont:** 1st, 20. **Pueblo:** 1st, 14. **Silverton:** 1st, 5. **Windsor:** German, 25.

CONNECTICUT—$1,035.10.

(Legacy $500.00)

Berlin: 15. **Bethlehem:** 3.82. **Bridgeport:** Park St. S. S., 9.72. **Bridgewater:** 9. **Brookfield:** 12. **Cheshire:** 13.92. **Darien:** 2. **Dayville:** W. M. S., 3. **Eastford:** 1.15. **East Hartford:** 1st, 18.02. **Essex:** 1st, 2. **Greens Farms:** 6.50. **Greenwich:** 2nd, 35. **Griswold:** 1st, 6.75. **Groton:** 5. **Hartford:** 2nd, 30.10; 4th, 40.28. **Jewett City:** 2nd, 6. **Kent:** 1st, 1. **Lebanon:** 4.88. **Ledyard:** 3. **Manchester:** 2nd, 20.83. **Mansfield:** 2nd, 4.50. **Meriden:** Center, 30; 1st S. S., 10.27. **Monroe:** 1. **Morris:** 2.20. **Mt. Carmel:** 11.21. **Nepaug:** 2. **New Haven:** Dwight Pl., 86.30; Pilgrim, 50. **Newtown:** 5.59. **North Stonington:** 8. **North Woodbury:** 5. **North Woodstock:** 1.

Norwalk: 1st, 10.20. **Norwich:** Broadway, 31.32; Park, 40.56; Friend, 2. **Plainfield:** 1st, 7. **Pomfret:** 1st, 9.23. **Portland:** 1st, 5.81. **Ridgefield:** 1st, 14.94. **Rockville:** Union, 82. **Somers:** 5.57. **Southport:** 32.06. **Stafford Springs:** 26.89. **Stamford:** 1st, 28.20. **Stonington:** 1st, 30. **Torrington:** Torringford, 2. **Waterbury:** 2nd S. S., 13.70. **Wethersfield:** 13.85. **West Hartford:** 1st, 68.47. **Whitneyville:** 14.96. **Woodbridge:** 3. **Woodstock:** 1st, 5.30.

Woman's Home Missionary Union: Fairfield: 10. **Hartford:** 1st, 50. **Nepaug:** 2. **Orange:** 10. **New Haven:** Redeemer, 20; United, 10. **Poquonock:** Y. P. S. C. E., 5. **South Britain:** 15. **Legacy: Talcottville:** Est. Horace G. Talcott, 500.

GEORGIA—$6.50.

Demorest: Union, 6.50.

IDAHO—$9.15.

Aberdeen: German, 1. **American Falls:** 1st, 1; Zoar, 1. **Lewiston:** Pilgrim, 15c. **Weiser:** 6.

ILLINOIS—$357.89.

Abingdon: 5.75. **Albion:** 1st, 12.50. **Bunker Hill:** 5.10. **Bureau:** 50c. **Chicago:** Burnside Imm'l, 1; Morgan Park, 6; Pilgrim, 11.72; Rogers Pk, 1st, 35; South, 10.40; S. S., 25; Wellington Ave., 17.50. **Dover:** 16.58. **Kewanee:** 1st, 8.20. **Millburn:** 5.17. **Oak Park,** 6th, 4. **Onarga:** S. S., 3. **Paxton:** 3.10. **Payson:** 16.77. **Peoria:** Union S. S., 1.62. **Peru:** 1st S. S., 10. **Roscoe:** 1. **Sterling:** 3.75. **Wyanet:** 12. **Wyoming:** 1st, 9. **Yorkville:** 3.

Woman's Home Missionary Union: Bunker Hill: 1. **Chicago:** 1st W. S., 9; Auburn Park, W. S., 1; Ravenswood W. S, 10; Washington Pk. S. S., 2; W. S., 4. **Evanston:** 1st, 30.08; W. S., 20. **Geneva:** W. S., 1. **La Grange:** W. S., 19.75 **Loda:** W. S., 1. **Payson:** W. S., 5. **Pittsfield:** W. S., 1. **Plainfield:** W. S., 2.40. **Rollo:** W. S., 10. **Winnetka:** W. S., 13.

INDIANA—$4.14.

Angola: 1st, 3. **Shipshewana:** 1.14.

IOWA—$103.83.

Algona: 1. **Atlantic:** S. S., 50c. **Cedar Falls:** 2.25. **Davenport:** Edwards, 1.23; S. S., 45c. **Elkader:** 80c. **Grinnell:** 9.90. **Manchester:** 1.51. **Muscatine:** 1st, 1. **Oskaloosa:** 65c. **Postville:** 8.34. **Red Oak:** 2; S. S., 30c. **Sloan:** 2. **Spencer:** 45c. **Waterloo:** Union S. S., 25c. **Whiting:** 10.

Woman's Home Missionary Union: Charles City: S. S., 5. **Clear Lake:** 5.25. **Garden Prairie:** 2.40. **Grinnell:** 24. **Minden:** C. E., 50c. **Monticello:** 5. **New Hampton:** 1st, 1.20. **Oskaloosa:** 1. **Rockwell:** 2.81. **Steamboat Rock:** 2. **Strawberry Point:** 2. **Traer:** 9. **Waucoma:** 1.

KANSAS—$71.00.

Anthony: 1st, 6. **Atwood:** 3. **Emporia:** 1st, 20. **Kansas City:** Central, 10. **Muscatah:** 7. **Neuchatel:** 3. **Newton:** 1.50. **Onaga:** 10. **Pittsburg:** 5. **Twelve Mile:** 2. **Wellington:** 1st, 3.50.

MAINE—$73.19.

Auburn: 6th St., 74c. **Baldwin:** East, 1st, 1. **Bridgeton:** 1st, 12; **North,** 3.30. **Brooks:** 1. **Deer Isle:** 1st, 2. **Dennysville:** 3. **Fryeburg:** 1st, 3. **Gardiner:** 5. **Garland:** 1. **Kennebunkport:** South, 1. **Millinocket:** 1st, 2. **Minot Center:** 5. **Patten:** 1. **Standish:** Y. P. S., 2. **Thomaston:** 1st, 1. **Waterford:** North, 1. **Winslow:** 5.

Woman's Home Missionary Union: Bath: Central, 75c. **Bingham:** 35c. **Bridgton:** South, 35c; North, 70c. **Jackman:** 2. **North Yarmouth:** Walnut Hill, 35c. **Portland:** State St., 4.26; Woodfords, 8.48. **Sandy Point:** 1. **Skowhegan:** 1.25. **South Portland:** Bethany, 75c. **Westbrook:** 2.21. **Winslow:** 70c.

MASSACHUSETTS—$2,554.77.

Acton: South, 3.58. **Amesbury:** Union, 4; Main St., 2.63. **Barnstable:** Hyannis, 2.01. **Becket:** 1st, 1.40. **Belmont:** Plymouth, 5.47. **Berlin:** 1st, 6. **Blackstone:** 5. **Boston:** Baker, East, 1.20; Dorchester Vill. Y. P. S., 1; Neponset, Trinity, 5; Rox., Im.-Walnut Ave., 5; Central, 120; Jamaica Pl., Central, 50; Jamaica Pl., Boylston, 3.49; South, Phillips, 10; Friend, 200; Friend, 10. **Boxford:** West, 2nd, 2.07. **Brimfield:** 1st, 10.10. **Brockton:** Campello, So., 60; Porter, 33.75. **Cambridge:** 1st, Shepherd Mem., 240; 1st Evang., 3.37; North, 13.86; Wood Mem'l., 1.78. **Canton:** Evang., 23.12. **Chelmsford:** Central, 11. **Chicopee Falls:** 2nd, 5.40. **Clinton:** German, 3. **Cummington:** West, 1.13. **Douglas:** 2. **Dracut:** 1st, 3. **Dunstable:** Evang., 9.20. **Duxbury:** Pilgrim, 3. **Easthampton:** 1st, 5. **Enfield:** 12.80. **Fall River:** French, 2. **Fitchburg:** Rollstone, 38.96. **Framington:** Plymouth, 16.20. **Grafton:** Evang., 5.55. **Granville Center:** 1st, 2. **Greenfield:** 1st, 6.97. **Hadley:** North, 10. **Hanson:** 1st, 5. **Haverhill:** Bradford, 1st, 11.26; West S. S., 5.42. **Hawley:** West, 1. **Hinsdale:** 1st, 9.11. **Holyoke:** 1st, 22.33; Grace, 9. **Hopkinton:** 1st, 19.49. **Lancaster:** Evang., 10.91. **Lawrence:** United, 11.40. **Lowell:** Highland, 2.90; Pawtucket, 16.62. **Lynnfield Center:** Cen., 3.90. **Malden:** 1st, 23.91. **Marshfield Hills:** 2nd, 3. **Mattapoisett:** 11.20. **Medford:** West, 19.90. **Milford:** 64.92. **Monson:** 109.75. **Montague:** Turner's Falls, 1st, 4.50. **Newbury:** Byfield, 2.02. **Newburyport:** Belleville, 3.94. **Newton:** North, 3.25; Waban Union, 13.50. **North Adams:** 28. **Norwood:** 1st, 18. **Orange:** Central, 11.97. **Orleans:** 1st, 5.20. **Palmer:** Thorndike, 1st, 2. **Pepperell:** 10.39. **Peru:** 1. **Pittsfield:** 1st, 114. **Quincy:** Atlantic, Mem'l., 11; Finnish, 2; Point, Washington St., 3. **Rowley:** 1st, 7.15. **Royalston:** 1st, 3.59. **Salem:** Tabernacle, 60.39. **Sandisfield:** New Boston, 1.25. **Saugus:** 1st, 1.17. **Sharon:** 1st, 3.96. **Shelburne:** 1st, 16.56; Falls, 20. **Sherborn:** 2. **Somerset:** 1.50. **Somerville:** Prospect Hill, 9. **Southampton:** 21. **Springfield:** Faith, 42.50; Emmanuel, 7. **Sterling:** 1st, 10. **Wakefield:** 1st, 110.07. **Wellesley:** 32.48. **Wendell:** 1. **Westfield:** 1st, 24.70. **Westminster:** 1st, ch., 3.10; W. S., 1.40. **West Springfield:** 1st, 35.08. **Weymouth and Braintree:** Union, 4.40. **Wilbraham:** North, Grace Union, 5.30. **Williamstown:** 1st, 50. **Winchester:** 1st, 180. **Winthrop:** Union, 15.75. **Woburn:** Montvale, 1.80. **Worcester:** Old South, 14.05; Friend, 50; Park, 4.68; Plymouth, 54.80; Union, 8.26. **Mass. and R. I. W. H. M. A.:** 195.

MICHIGAN—$140.11.

Alba: 2.70. **Bangor:** 1st, 2.99. **Cadillac:** 1st, 18.90. **Coloma:** 2.70. **Detroit:** Boulevard, 13.50; Fort, 25. **Dundee:** 1. **Grand Rapids:** Smith Mem'l., 10. **Memphis:** 45c. **Merrill:** 2. **Portland:** 1st, 5. **Reed City:** 4.50. **Royal Oak:** 37c.

Woman's Home Missionary Union: Grand Rapids: 50. **Greenville:** 1.

MINNESOTA—$193,27.

Alexandria: 36c. **Arco:** 13c. **Barnesville:** 33c. **Belview:** 60c. **Cambria:** 1.68. **Cottage Grove:** 15c. **Detroit:** 18c. **Duluth:** Pilgrim, 5.85. **Fairmont:** 1.26. **Groveland:** 15c. **Hutchinson:** 3. **Lake City:** 1st, 1.60. **Madison:** 3. **Mapleton:** 22c. **Minneapolis:** 5th Ave., 9; Lowry Hill, 1.43; Lyndale, 2.14; Lynnhurst, 96c; Minnehaha, 36c; Park Ave., 2.35; Pilgrim, 1.56; Plymouth, 24.90; Vine, 28c. **Morris:** 1.68. **Monticello:** 54c. **North Branch:** 6c. **Ortonville:** 13c. **Plainview:** 36c **Ruffy Brook:** 10c. **St. Cloud:** 6c. **St. Paul:** Imm'l., 3; Olivet, 9; Plymouth, 14.70; St. Anthony Pk., 5.42; South Park, 60c. **Sleepy Eye:** 1.31. **Waseca:** 16c.

Woman's Home Missionary Union: Alexandria: W. S., 2.75. **Austin:** 1.98. **Benson:** 2.20; S. S., 2. **Big Lake:** 17c. **Brainerd:** 1.07. **Cottage Grove:** 82c. **Dodge Center:** 16c. **Duluth:** Pilgrim, 1.88. **Excelsior:** W. S., 1.81. **Fond du Lac:** 25c. **Freeborn:** 2.60. **Glencoe:** 66c. **Glyndon:** 35c. **Granada:** 24c. **Groveland:** 40c. **Hutchinson:** W. S., 96c. **Lake City:** 1st, 47c. **Mantorville:** 55c. **Marshall:** 33c. **Minneapolis:** 1st, 2.47; 5th Ave., 2.61; Forest Hts., 1.21; Y. W. S., 55c; Fremont Ave., 1.50; Linden Hills, 1.24; W. S., 1.32; Lyndale, 2.20; Lynnhurst, 55c; Park Ave., 4.68; Pilgrim, 1.07; Plymouth, 8.38; Friend, 25. **Montevideo:** 1.32. **Monticello:** 43c. **Moorhead:** W. S., 3.48. **New Ulm:** 2.47. **Plainview:** 23c. **Rochester:** 1.21. **St. Paul:** Im., 1.65; St. Anthony Pk., 6.55. **Sleepy Eye:** 23c. **Spring Valley:** 40c. **Stewartville:** 1.29. **Waseca:** 32c. **Waubun:** 15c.

MISSOURI—$527.00.

Eldon: 8. **Kansas City:** Ivanhoe Pk., 19; Westminster, 500.

MONTANA—$2.00.

Hardin: 1st, 2.

NEBRASKA—$112.88.

Alma: 50c. **Clay Center:** 7.90. **Fairfield:** 4.72. **Geneva:** 5; 1st L. S., 5. **Genoa:** 2. **Indianola:** 1.25. **Leigh:** 2.34. **Lincoln:** Ger. Ebenezer, 12. **Olive Branch:** German, 10. **Omaha:** 1st, 8.75. **Princeton:** German, 12. **Weeping Water:** 2.69.

Woman's Home Missionary Union: 38.73.

NEW HAMPSHIRE—$203.75.

Alton: 2. **Andover:** 1.50. **Barnstead:** No., 1. **Boscawen:** 1st, 12.13. **Bristol:** 3. **Franklin:** Main St., 10. **Greenfield:** 3. **Henniker:** 10. **Manchester:** 1st, 60; Franklin St., 25. **Milford:** 1st, 11.77. **Nashua:** Pilgrim, 11.17. **Nelson:** Y. P. S., 1.50. **Newport:** 19. **Orfordville:** 1.58. **Plaistow:** No. Parish, 5.40. **Raymond:** 3. **Rollinsford:** Salmon Falls, 2.85. **Salem:** 2.70. **Wolfboro:** 1st, 17.15.

NEW JERSEY—$112.06.

East Orange: 1st, 27.50. **Montclair:** Watchung Ave., 15.86. **Nutley:** St. Paul's, 22. **Rutherford:** 7.70. **Vineland:** 3. **Westfield:** Ch. of Christ, 36.

NEW YORK—$284.96.

Baiting Hollow: 5. **Binghampton:** East Side, 4; S. S., 6; 1st, 67.48. **Buffalo:** Friend, 10. **Candor:** 4.53. **Groton City:** 1.75. **Irondequoit:** United, 2. **Jamesport:** 2. **Jamestown:** Pilgrim Mem'l., 1. **Kiantone:** 58c. **Lake View:** 80c. **Lebanon:** 1.26. **Mt. Sinai:** 4. **Mt. Vernon:** 1st, 12; Heights, S. S., 13. **Newburg:** 9.64. **New Village:** 45c. **New York:** Brooklyn, Ch. of Pilg., 22.35; St. Mark's, 2.94; Woodhaven, Christ, 2. **North Guilford:** 44c. **Orient,** 9.60. **Phoenix:** 5.84. **Poughkeepsie:** 1st, 7:50. **Spencerport,** 10. **Syracuse:** Geddes, 2.

Woman's Home Missionary Union: Bridgewater: W. M., 1.50. **Cincinnatus:** W. M., 5.30. **Fulton:** W. M., 2. **Massena:** W. S., 12.50. **New York:** Brooklyn, Ch. of Pil., 50; Broadway Taber. S. for W. W., 3.50. **Sidney:** 2.

NORTH DAKOTA—$55.60.

Bordulac: 1st S. S., 50c. **Cooperstown:** 1st S. S., 2.10. **Elbridge:** 3. **Hope:** 12. **Jamestown:** 1st, 6. **Lawton:** 2. **Lignite:** 1st, 2; Foothills, 2. **New Rockford:** 1st, 10. **Oriska:** Union, 2. **Sawyer:** 1st, 1.

Woman's Home Missionary Union: Drake: 1. **Fargo:** Plymouth, 3. **Hankinson:** 5. **Hurdsfield:** 1. **Mayville:** 3.

OHIO—$264.37.

Akron: 1st, 26. **Alexis:** 50c. **Bellevue:** 3. **Chillicothe:** Plymouth, 3. **Cincinnati:** Walnut Hills, 13.72. **Cleveland:** Emmanuel, 3; 1st, 3.40; Highland, 1.25; Park, 5; Trinity, 4. **Columbus:** No., 6.70. **Fairport Harbor:** 1st, 5.50. **Mansfield:** 1st, 25.95; Mayflower, 5.79. **No. Olmsted:** 8.86. **Richmond:** 1.50. **Toledo:** 1st, 100; 2nd, 13.80; Plymouth, 3.66.

Woman's Home Missionary Union: Cleveland: Archwood S. S., 10; 1st W. A., 3.52; Trinity L. S., 2.11. **Huntington:** W. Va., L. M. S., 2.70. **Oberlin:** 2nd W. S., 8.25. **Sandusky:** W. L., 1.30. **Springfield:** Lagonda, L. S., 1.86.

OREGON—$2.76.

Corvallis: 1st, 90c. **Ione:** 1. **Oregon City:** 86c.

PENNSYLVANIA—$97.27.

Clifford: 3. **Duquesne:** Bethlehem Slavak, 12. **Ebensburg:** 1st, 24.62. **Mahanoy:** Bethel, 3. **Philadelphia:** Central, 20. **Pittsburg:** Alleghany Slavon., 5; 1st, 8; Puritan S. S., 4. **Pittston:** Welsh, 3.65. **Scranton:** Puritan, 5. **Spring Creek:** 1. **Taylor:** 1st, 3.

Woman's Home Missionary Union: Meadville: W. M. S., 5.

RHODE ISLAND—$54.56.

Barrington: 27.25. **Chepachet:** 5. **East Providence:** Riverside, 4.13. **Providence:** Plymouth, 10. **Tiverton:** Bliss Four Corners, 98c. **Wood River Junction:** 1. **Woonsocket:** Globe, 6.20.

SOUTH DAKOTA—$95.71.

Aberdeen: 1.47. **Athol,** 3.30. **Bowdle:** 10. **Java:** 5. **Cedar:** 50c. **Geddes:** 3.50. **Huron:** 3.10. **Lake View:** 27c. **Mission Hill:** 3.67. **Oacoma:** 1.80. **Parkston:** German, 10. **Pleasant Valley:** 35c. **Valley Springs:** 5.

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